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In the Lab, a Big Step Against Cancer Human Immune Substance Is Tested Successfully on Mice

By Boyce Rensberger

WASHINGTON - Scientists say they have "apparently cured" cancerous mice by giving them a modified version of a substance that the doses are high the human body naturally makes to fight cancer. They report in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature said the method "may offer The new report in the new rep new opportunities for cancer treatment" in humans.

Although the approach will require years of further research to determine whether it has value, the report is significant because it offers a way to avoid the potentially fatal side effects that had long frustrated efforts to exploit the substance's remarkable properties.

The chemical is "tumor necrosis factor," which is manufactured by white blood cells to stimulate and coordinate a variety of natural processes the body uses to light injury, inflammation and infection. In one of those roles, it acts as part of the immune system's mechanism for destroying cancer cells.

Tumor necrosis factor has long been known to kill cancer cells growing in the laboratory. Presumably, it does the same to newly arisen cancer cells in the body or on very small tumors. But the fact that cancer often progresses to large and lethal numors shows that tumor necrosis factor cannot always keep up with the growth of the cancer. In the late stages, the body produces so much tumor necrosis factor that some of its other effects come into play. For example, tumor necrosis factor can cause bodily tissues to waste away.

Since tumor necrosis factor was discovered in 1975, scientists around the world have been trying to find a way to give cancer victims extra tumor necrosis factor; but they have consistently found that if the doses are high enough 10 affect large tumors, the broader toxic

The new report indicates that an artificially altered variant version of tumor necrosis factor lacks the toxicity to normal cells but retains the tumor-killing ability.

Wheo mice with cancer were treated with modified tumor necrosis actor and interferon, another natural cancer-fighting substance, the 10 scientists wrote, the combinations "almost completely inhibited growth of the tumor and some animals were apparently cured."

But they noted that when treatment was stopped, tumors reappeared or resumed growing. The researchers attributed this to the fact that the mice were a special breed used in research because they lack

Further experiments will be oeeded to see whether the modified forms of tumor necrosis factor work as well in primates, including humans, the scientists said. "If so," they concluded in their paper, they may offer new opportunities for cancer treatment.

The report's first author was Xaveer Van Ostade of the University of Ghent in Belgium and the research team was led by Walter Fiers, a longtime tumor necrosis factor researcher also at Ghent.

TRAINING IN KUWAIT -- Kuwaiti special forces listening to instructions from U.S. Green Berets during a live-fire drill on Thursday that was part of Iris 93, a joint exercise.

of Singapore.

The company attempted to play down the danger of great ecological damage, saying: "Any leaking oil from the breached cargo rank

is burning off." The spokesman added that "a salvage tug is now hosing down the front of the

Potential Disaster as Tanker Burns in Malacca Strait

New President, Old Policy: Iraqi Missile Site Attacked

WASHINGTON — U.S. warplanes attacked an Iraqi and-aircraft missile site on Thursday, and President Bill Clinton said he would continue Washington's hard-line policy of de-manding Baghdad's compbance with agreements ending the Gulf War.

But despite the attack, Iraq said it would maintain its unilateral cease-fire.

"We are going to adhere to our policy," Mr. Clinton said when asked about the latest incident during a photo session at a meeting with senior aides. "We're going to stay with our policy. It is an American policy."

The U.S. European Command said two U.S. warplanes fired a missile and dropped cluster bombs on the Iraqi missile site in an allied noflight zone in northern Iraq after the missile battery's search radar was directed at the air-

Military officials said they did oot know immediately if the site was destroyed. They said

An Iraqi Foreign Ministry spokesman described the raid as "aggressive and provoca-tive." He denied that an Iraqi missile battery had locked on to a plane patrolling the northern flight-ban zone. The battery radar has oot locked on any plane since the Iraqi announcement of a cease-fire on Jan. 20," he added.

An Iraqi civil defense spokesman said the bombs did not cause civilian losses but had "set ablaze large quantitles of fertilizers, inflicted damage on agricultural land and winter crops."

Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said at the State Department that the new administration would protect U.S. pilots flying over Iraq. "When their radar illuminates our pilots, we're going to protect our pilots," Mr. Christopher said.

The Clinton administration had welcomed the cease-fire declared on Tuesday by President Saddam Hussein, but Mr. Clinton vowed even before he took office to continue former Presi-

and protective oo-flight zones established by the allies in northern and southern Iraq.

The Baghdad government, apparently anxious for dialogue with the new U.S. administra-tion, said in a statement, "Iraq is committed to the cease-fire it has declared."

Iraqi state television made no mention of the raid, instead concentrating on the reopening of what it said was a baby-milk factory that was destroyed two years ago to the day in an allied air raid during the Gulf War. The factory, which the U.S. said was a germ warfare plant, became a cherished symbol to Iraqis.

The United Nations earlier on Thursday re sumed flights into Iraq, saying officials had been cooperative but insisting on the right to fly where it wants to search for hidden weapons of mass destruction.

The arrival of the UN plane, bringing in 52 personnel stuck in Bahrain for the past two See IRAQ, Page 7

First-Day Crisis in Capital Handled With Handshakes

WASHINGTON — A groggy but jovial President Bill Clinton met his first domestic crisis on Thursday: Too many ordinary folk turned up to shake his hand at a people's reception at the White House.

Mr. Clinton faced the endless queue with generosity and aplomb. After a loog night of maugural celebratioo, be and Vice President Al Gore stood to greet well-wishers inside the White House Diplomatic Reception Room all morning long, bugging children, shaking hands, patting backs and at one point singing "Happy Birthday" to a youngster in line.

"I love this," the president chorded. To a 4-week-old baby fast asleep in its moth-

er's arms, Mr. Clinton deadpanned: "Clinton shakes bands with citizen who has appropriate

But the inevitable occurred. Some 2,000 Americans chosen by lottery were granted advance tickets for the reception but many more without tickets showed up and the line edged forward for hours.

Perhaps offering a clue to his working style the president donned his coat, walked ontside to the waiting throog, took some private crowd-control advice from his wife, Hillary, and promised everyone that they would eventually get into what oe called "your house,

"We just had a party and half the country showed up," Mr. Clinton told the crowd from the steps of the South Portico, saying it was

The new president and his saxophone made the first-night circuit. Page 3.

only democracy in action. True to form, Mr. Cliotoo stepped down to grasp outstretched

Government business, bowever, intruded throughout the day. Mr. Clinton held an organizational meeting with his White House staff, though many were still settling in to new offices, as was Mr. Clinton, Key aides were moni-toring the storm at the Capitol over his nominee to be attorney general. Zoë Baird, and the White House spokesman. George Stephano-

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Confirmation Doubts Rise For Justice Dept. Nominee

WASHINGTON — Amid rising doubts in the Senate over the confirmation of Zoe Baird as attorney general, President Bill Clinton on Thursday expressed what sounded like quali-fied support for ber and rejected suggestions she step aside for having knowlogly hired two illegal aliens to work in her household.

"The president continues to think she'd make a good attorney general," said George Stephan-opoulos, Mr. Clinton's spokesman, in his first briefing at the White House.

Of reservations in the Senate, Mr. Stephanopoulos said, "Right oow, Zoe Baird is his oomi-

Mr. Stephanopoulos made his comments as Ms. Baird was peppered with questions from the Senate Judiciary Committee about her hiring of the workers, an act that violates laws of the immigration and Naturalization Service that would be part of her responsibility as bead

"Hear her out. Give her a chance to answer. That's what bearings are for," Mr. Stephanopoulos said. He stressed that Ms. Baird was forthright to the transition team in disclosing her hiring of the illegal aliens, and that she acted after consulting with an attorney. But he said he did not know "what level of

detail" Mr. Clinton know about the issue in advance of the appointment. "I do not think she had a discussion of this

with the president," he said. "She made a mistake and she regrets that,"

Ms. Baird rejected suggestions that she step aside. "I do oot believe that would be appropriatc. I think that my overall record gives me the

potential to be a great attorney general."

Senator Larry Pressler, Republican of South Dakota, was the first committee member to announce his opposition to the appointment. You're my kind of person, so I feel very

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Uphill Struggle Expected Toward Peace in Bosnia Serbian Leader Insists on Referendum

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches GENEVA — Negotiations aimed at ending the war in Bosnia-Herzegovina face an uphill struggle despite the acceptance by rebel Serbs of a proposed new constitution, a spokesman

By Michael Richardson

International Herold Tribune

tanker, abandoned and drifting after a colli-

sion, started spilling oil Thursday near the entrance to the Malacca Strait, one of the

The leakage and blaze on the 255,312-ton Maersk Navigntor, fully laden with nearly 2

world's busiest international waterways.

SINGAPORE - A burning Danish super-

for the peace conference said Thursday.

The spokesman, Fred Eckhard, said that even if the Muslim-led government, the Croats and the Serbs agreed to a three-part package put forward by international mediators, there would still be problems with its implementa-

As if to emphasize potential problems, the leader of Bosnian Serbs, Radovan Karadzic, said Thursday that Serbs could not accept the division of Bosnia-Herzegovina into 10 provinces without holding a referendum.

"We have to be very patient while adopting the maps, and we have to use a democratic way of setting up boundaries between the new provinces," the Bosnian Serbian news agency SRNA quoted Mr. Karadzic as saying.

But speaking in London, Lord Owen, a co-chairman of the Geneva talks, warned Mr. Karadzic on Thursday that his commitment to the blueprint for peace in Bosnia-Herzegovina must be unconditional.

On Wednesday, amid fears of military intervention and international isolation, deputies in the self-styled Bosnian Serbian parliament gave grudging support to outlines of a peace plan for

the war-torn republic. But the purported representatives of the Bosman Serbs, who have conquered 70 percent of the republic in a 10-month-old rebellion, defiantly denied that their 55-to-15 vote relinquished the goal of eventual creation of a Greater Serbia.

The next stage, the precise demarcation of the 10 provinces, will be hotly contested, and the outlines sketched so far are unacceptable to the Muslim-led government of President Alija

million barrels of crude oil, threatened to cause

a major environmental disaster in Southeast

Singapore officials said the ship was in the Bay of Bengal about 60 nautical miles off the

coast of the Indonesian island of Sumatra at the

western entrance of the Malacca Strait, which

runs between Indonesia, Malaysia and Singa-

Izetbegovic. A map of Bosnia's ethnic distribution is so complex it resembles a shattered windshield. Drawing borders around its kaleidoscope of ethnic communities acceptable to all three war-

All sides are guilty in Bosnian rapes, Amnesty International reports. Page 2.

ring groups, Serbs, Muslims and Croats, will be

a nightmare.
"The maps will be the real test," said the Bosnian Serbs' information minister, Velibor Ostojic. "This is just an intermission for us until we get down to the really hard business of the

maps."
Mr. Karadzic, Mr. Izetbegovic, and the Croatian leader, Mate Boban, are scheduled to resume face-to-face talks Saturday.

The hard-line president of Serbia, Slobodan Milosevic, who has most influence over the Bosnian Serbs, also will attend the next round of the talks, the Belgrade-based Tanjug news agency reported, as will the president of the nump state of Yugoslavia, Dobrica Cosic. The president of Croatia, Franjo Tudjman,

also is expected to attend starting on Saturday. Mr. Eckhard said that the international mediators, Lord Owen and Cyrus R. Vance, expected Mr. Karadzic to give his unconditional acceptance to their proposed constitution, which removes most powers from the central

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A salvage tug reached the stricken tanker late
Thursday and began to fight the fire, according
to a spokesman for the ship owner, A.P. Moller
tanker, but the ship remains on fire along the
port side." He said oil was spilling from at least
one of 12 cargo tanks.

Law Hieng Ding, Malaysia's environment minister, warned that if major oil slick reached

Malaysian waters "we can expect a disaster." He said that the tanker could also drift close to

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MONARCHY MEMORIES — A royalist holding a poster Thursday of Louis XVI, guillotined 200 years ago, during ceremonies at the Place de la Concorde in Paris. Page 7.

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of the Justice Department.

Virgin Presses British Air

LONDON (Renters) — Virgin Atlantic Airways said Thursday it was unsatisfied with the apology by British Airways PLC for a campaign of "dirty tricks" against it, and the smaller airline threatened unspecified actions if an act of good faith was not forthcoming. On Jan. 11, British Airways apologized to Virigin and its founder. Richard Branson, to end a libel suit against it. But Mr. Branson has beld out for more than the expression of regret for the actions, which Virgin says included the poaching of passengers. Virgin said the "key issue is the serious commercial damage caused to our airline."

Separately, BA invested \$300 million in USAir Group. (Page 11)

Arafat, on Israeli TV, Seeks Talks

JERUSALEM (Reuters) — Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, called on Israel on Thursday to agree to a direct meeting with leaders of the organization. Mr. Arafat, interviewed in Tunis by Abie Nathan, an Israeli anti-war campaigner, said on fsraeli television; "I repeat my call to Mr. Rabin and his government to convene a meeting of the brave to forge a brave News analysis, Page 6

New UN Envoy: Bosnia a Priority

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Madeleine K. Albright, President Bill Clinton's nominee to be UN ambassador, said Thursday that the National Security Council would meet soon to discuss the Bosnia situation and hinted at a more active U.S. role.

She told a Senate committee that Bosnia had a high priority oo the

council's agenda and noted that Mr. Clinton had spoken of the need to be more forceful in the crisis. She called for enforcement of a UNmandated ban on Serbian warplanes flying over Bosnia.

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A German general warned Bonn against pulling out of Bosnia patrols. Page 2 Western diplomats decry the reelection of Hiroshi Nakajima as head of WHO. Business/Finance

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In Jerusalem, A Modern Way To Message God

By Clyde Haberman JERUSALEM - God has a fax number in

On Wednesday, Bezeq, the Israeli telephone company, launched a service that enables callers to send God faxed messages that are inserted into crevices of the Western Wall, the boliest site in Judaism.

Worshipers often place slips of written prayers between the ancient stones of what was a wall of the Second Temple, destroyed in A.D. 70. It is a good-luck measure sometimes resorted 10 by those in search of improved health, a marriage partner or other goals that presumably could benefit from divine intervention.

Now, in a country where people are almost manic about staying in touch with one another constantly via beepers, faxes and cellular phones, the wall is booked up, too. Bezeq-says that as messages for God arrive - the number in Jerusalem is 612-222 - a staff worker collects them, folds them and takes them to the

On the first day of operation, a spokesman said, more than 60 messages arrived, mostly from within Israel, but also from Europe. Questions immediately arose about whether

the service will be religiously correct. Technically, it is to be available 24 hours a day. But does that include the Jewish Sabbath. when phones are not supposed to be used? Since men and women pray separately in Orthodox Judaism, will messages from men and women be placed on separate sides of the wall? And what about the Bezeq staffer - will he, or

she, read the supposedly secret notes? Like many prayers themselves, such questions went unanswered on Thursday.

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German General **Cautions Bonn**

Pullout From Bosnia Patrols Would Hurt NATO, He Says

By Joseph Fitchett International Herald Tribune

PARIS - Amid partisan debate in Bonn about accepting a more active role for the military, Germa-ny's top soldier warned Thursday that the country's leaders would weaken NATO if they decided to keep German troops ont of a UN operation policing Bosnia's air-

The comments by General Klaus Naumann, Germany's chief of staff, coincided with the signing of a cooperation agreement between NATO and the new French-Ger-man corps, a planned 35,000-man force that German officials have said can foster a stronger Western alliance in the post-Cold War era.

Both the new French-German corps and the risk of engagement in Yugoslavia are viewed by the United States and other governments as tests of a united Germany's readiness to assume larger geopolitical responsibilities.

"The Eurocorps now seems on paper to have delivered on German promises of upgrading French ties with NATO and not weakening German ties," a NATO official said, "but things can change in a situation as fluid as 1993 promises to be"

A practical challenge could arise soon over the North Atlantic Trea-Organizatinn's radar, nr AWACS, planes, which are monitoring Bosnian airspace. Patrolling over the Adriatic and Hungary, they are the main component of an air surveillance network that the alliance has set np ahead nf a possible UN-ordered military interven-

Based in Germany, these planes basically airborne radars and electronic warfare command posts whose crews, including German pi-lots and technicians, can direct allied fighter planes in an air battle would be an essential arm for NATO if it has to stop violations of the no-flight zone, by force if neces-

sary.
Poised for action once the UN Security Council approves a resolution to enforce a no-flight zone, the alliance could stumble if the Bonn government sticks to its plans to order German crews off the planes at the critical moment when they

start combat missions.

NATO's 18 AWACS planes,
part of the rare military hardware
jointly owned by the allies, are
based in Geilenkirchen, Germany,
and commanded by a German Air Force general. About one-third of

the 1,500 servicemen involved in the AWACS command are Ger-

Spelling out the consequences of a sudden loss of Germany's participation, General Nanmann said in Brussels that his country "cannot take the German crews off the AWACS without decisively weakening the nnly instrument that fully expresses the full integration of the

The Kohl government has per-suaded its coalition partner to lift rules against German troops' participatinn in international peacekeeping operations, but it main-tains that it still needs more support from the opposition Social Democrass before it can shift Ger-

General Naumann said that he "seriously doubted" whether German participation in aerial reconnaissance would be unconstitutional, but that the politicians in Bonn eeded to make up their minds.

If the airmen were withdrawn on the brink of combat, General Naumann said, he would tell the government that Germany should withdraw completely from the AWACS operation and turn over that NATO command slot to another allied nation.

U.S. officials have said publicly that it would cause a crisis in NATO for Germany to balk at belping enforce a no-flight zone. Heavy political symbolism about

NATO's future is attached to the potential mission in Bosnia, which would be the first time the alliance performed peace-keeping duties for the United Nations.

That new role for NATO was designed in part to justify extending the alliance's existence — and prolonging the presence of U.S. forces in Europe.

NATO officials want strong, vis-

ible German involvement to help maintain enthusiasm in Washington and to offset French objections to letting NATO try to assume new missings in Eastern Europe.
Since France boycotted NATO's

AWACS program — by instead buying three of the U.S.-made airplanes for its own air force - the alliance has been able to "finesse any disagreements in principle and move ahead in practice" in positioning itself for possible action in the former Yugoslavia, a NATO diplomat said.

The French see the Eurocorps as a start for European Community military cooperation led by Germany and France.

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DEATH IN GEORGIA — A Georgian weeping over his mother in Sukhimi on Thursday as the war with Abkhazi rebels continued in the former Soviet republic. The woman was killed during a shelling campaign by Abkhazis that has lasted more than a month.

West Decries Re-election of WHO Chief

By Barry James

ional Aerald Tribune Western diplomats and many staff members of the World Health Organization reacted with dismay on Thursday over the re-election of Dr. Hiroshi Nakajima as director-general of the

World Health Organization.

But some Third World diplomats explained their support for Dr. Nakajima by saying that his administration was better able to deal with the public health problems of the poor, rather than with diseases such as AIDS, cancer and heart disease that are the primary concern of Western countries.

Dr. Nakajima, whose candidacy was aggressively promoted by his native Japan, is one of the most controversial and openly criticized senior afficials in the United Nations system. Western diplomats assert that he is antocrat-

ic, that he is a poor communicator and manager and that be is frequently absent from his post. The director of WHO's global AIDS program, Jonathan Mann, resigned in 1990 in a bitter feud over Dr. Nakajima's management style, At a news conference following his re-election, Dr. Nakajima dismissed the criticism as

an "international media campaign." The United States made no secret of its preference for the rival candidacy of Moham-

sides of the Bosnian civil war have

suffered sexual abuse, including

rape, at the hands of the three war-

ring factions, but Serbs were most

guilty of the crimes, Amnesty Inter-

The human rights organization

also said that rapes were continu-

ing, but that any estimates of the

number of victims must be treated

"Amnesty believes that all sides

have committed these abuses, but

that Muslim women have been the

chief victims and the main perpe-

trators have been members of Ser-

bian armed forces," the organiza-

It also said in a 14-page report, "Bosnia-Herzegovina — Rape and Sexual Abuse by Armed Forces,"

that there was evidence suggesting

that systematic rape had occurred.

whether rape has been explicitly

selected by military leaders as a weapon of war." Amnesty said, "it

is clear that local officers must have

"While it is open to question

national said Thursday.

with caution.

tion said.

med Abdelmoumene of Algeria, a former assistant director-general, who was dismissed last year after announcing that he was in the run-

But on Wednesday, the U.S. representative to the UN organizations, Morris B. Abram, put a brave face on the news.

"The United States has a lnng-standing com-mitment to the WHO, transcending any per-sonalities," he said. "The essential point is that the organization should be managed well and efficiently. We shall work with the new administration towards those ends, as we always

In Tokyo, the Foreign Ministry issued a statement thanking those who had supported Mr. Nakajima's re-election by a vote of 18 to 13 in WHO's executive committee.

"There were clearly a great many countries that voted after having been wined and dined and promised many things by the Japanese government," Donald A. Henderson of the science adviser's office in the Bush White House tald The New York Times.

The Times earlier reported that Japan had threatened to withhold aid from countries that voted against Dr. Nakajima. At his news conference, the director-general avoided questions

A Documentation of Bosnia Rapes

All Sides Are Guilty, Amnesty International Reports

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches known about abuses and condoned was issuing the report simulta-

Although it said that rapes and

other forms of abuse were continu-

ing, it cited no new cases. It noted

that the issue of the rape of women and other atrocities "has been

widely used as a propaganda weap-on, with all sides minimizing or

denying the abuses committed by

their own forces and maximizing

Therefore, Amnesty considered

that "at present all estimates as tn

the number of women who have

suffered rape or sexual abuse must

European Community investiga-

tors said this month that Bosnian

Serbian soldiers had raped about

20,000 Muslim women as part of a

campaign to terrorize people and

"How many is an open ques-tion," said Nick Howen, an Am-

nesty legal adviser and a member of

that 20,000 wnmen bave been

An Amnesty spokesman said it

"We don't have evidence to show

drive them from their homes.

a recent mission to the area.

raped," be added.

those of their opponents."

be treated with caution."

about alleged influence-peddling, saying "the Japanese government could never do that."

Although Third World countries swung the executive committee vote in favor of Dr. Nakajima, "every major contributing country other than Japan supported Dr. Abdelmoumène," according to John Bolton, an assistant secretary of state in the Bush administration who oversaw the WHO campaign, also quoted by The New York Times.

The Washington Post quoted from an internal State Department paper that said Japan had engaged in "aggressive tactics, including the pursuit of votes in exchange for favors."

The re-election of Dr. Nakajima is a question

of honor for Japan, diplomats said, since he is the first and only Japanese elected to head a UN agency. (The UN High Commissioner for Refugees, Sadako Ogata, is Japanese, but she is a political appointee.) Japan has made no secret its view that the scale of its contributions to the world organization entitles it to greater

Attention now shifts to the 181-member general assembly of the organization in May. Diplomats said it was just possible that countries opposing Dr. Nakajima might seek to get his re-election overturned, although this would be a

Sarajevo Crash:

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Archduke Died

SARAJEVO — Three

Egyptian soldiers came to

grief on Thursday on the exact

spot where the assassination of Archduke Francis Ferdinand

sparked World War I in 1914.

nian army ambulance, their

armored personnel carrier

ended up in the icy Miljacka

River and the three soldiers

were in the city's Kosevo hos-

The soldiers, serving with the United Nations Protection

Force in Sarajevo, were trying

to cross the narrow Princip

Bridge, named after the Serb

nationalist Gavrilo Princip.

who murdered the Austro-

Hungarian crown prince and

Their vehicle hit the ambu-

lance, ploughed through the

stone parapet beside the

bridge and finished on its side

in the shallow river 10 meters

(30 feet) below, its blue United

Nations flag still flying.

his wife in 1914.

After a collision with a Bos-

WORLD BRIEFS

China Shrugs Off U.S. Rights Report

BEIJING (Reuters) — China dismissed as irresponsible and distorted a U.S. State Department report critical of its burnan rights position. The annual report said Beijing's human rights practices "have remained repressive, falling far short of internationally accepted norms."

A Foreign Ministry spokesman, Wu Jianmin, sharply criticized the report on Thursday. "The so-called human rights report issued by the report on Thursday." The so-called human rights report issued by the report on Thursday. "The so-called human rights report issued by the report on Thursday." The so-called human rights report issued by the report on Thursday. "The so-called human rights comments on and distortions of the Chinese domestic situation and attacks China on the human rights issue," Mr. Wu said.

"This is clearly unjustifiable," he added. "We are firmly opposed to any interference in China's internal affairs under the pretext of human rights." Observers suggest that China fears the document could fuel a drive in Congress by Democrats to revoke or limit its preferential trade treatment.

Defeat Possible, Mitterrand Concedes

PARIS (Reuters) — President François Mitterrand acknowledged Thursday that his governing Socialist Party faced probable defeat in parliamentary elections in March.

parhamentary elections in March.

Mr. Mitterrand told the Socialist magazine Vendredi that it was contradictory that a party which had carried out a string of reforms was now accused of having changed little. "It's a paradox. One could smile about it if the electoral judgment was not expected to be so unfair," he

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An opinion poll made for Paris-Match magazine said the opposition grouping, the Gaullist Rally for the Republic and the center-right Union for Democracy, would win 43.5 percent of the vote against 20 percent for

Angola Plays Down Loss of Oil Town

LUANDA, Angola (Reuters) — Angola, its oil exports and morale hit by the rebel seizure of the important oil town of Soyo, said on Thursday that it had adequate supplies of fuel for domestic needs.

Joaquim David, head of the state oil company Sonangol, said Angola

had enough petroleum products in reserve to meet domestic demand despite the loss of Soyo, which pumped about a third of Angola's daily production of about 550,000 barrels of oil. Still, oil earns about 90 percent of Angola's foreign currency, badly needed to fund the military campaign against Jonas Savimbi's National Union for the Total Independence of

Dozens of expatriates fled before UNITA took Soyo this week, but the rebels are holding 17 who did not get out in time, most of them Portuguese. Diplomats said there appeared to have been no early progress on winning their release, although Mr. Savimbi told the BBC that

Curfew Helps Quell Rwanda Unrest

KIGALI, Rwanda (Reuters)—The Rwandan capital, Kigali, was calm on Thursday for the first time in days, but militant supporters of the National Revolutionary Movement for Progress threatened to resume protests against a power-sharing deal with the opposition.

The authorities imposed a dusk-to-dawn curiew in Kigali and surrounding residential areas Wednesday night after clashes between the young militants and opposition supporters. Official sources said at least 10 people had been seriously wounded. Homes and cars were looted and businesses were forced to close.

A party official in Kigali, Jean Habyarimana, said on state radio that demonstrations would resume if Dismas Nsengivaremye, a leading oppo-sition figure and prime minister in the transitional government, did not resign by Sunday. The National Revolutionary Movement apparently fears that President Juvénal Habyarimana will have a severely reduced role under an agreement reached between the transitional government and the rebel Rwanda Patriotic Front.

Takeshita Embroiled in New Scandal

TOKYO (AFP) — The former prime minister, Noboru Takeshita, already implicated in a mobster-linked political scandal, was cited Thursday in a fresh corruption case involving a multimillion-dollar art

The Tokyo Shimbun said that the latest scandal would be aired in

parliament, which opens Friday for a new session.

A former bank executive has alleged that when Mr. Takeshita was finance minister in 1985, he pocketed proceeds from the sale of an art work at eight times its market value. The paper said that Shigeaki Isaka, the former auditor of the now-defunct Herwa Sogo Bank, had said in written testimony that Mr. Takeshita may have profited from the sale of a gilded screen. His bank financed a private company owned by Mr. Isaka to buy the screen at 4 billion yen (\$32 million), eight times its market

Rebels Fight Afghan Forces in Kabul
KABUL. Afghanistan (Renters) — Afghan government forces and
their radical opponents fought artillery duels in Kabul on Thursday,
wounding about 100 people and forcing bundreds to flee their homes,
dectors and witnesses said. doctors and witnesses said.

At least 300 people were wounded in three days of fighting, which crupted after the government launched a sweep against the Hezb-i-Islami party of the hard-line mujahiddin leader, Gulbuddin Hekmatyar, doctors

No reliable estimate of the number killed was available as bodies were not taken to hospitals. Doctors said the toll could be 20 for the day and 60 for three days. They based their calculations on past experience when the dead have been around 20 percent of the total injured.

Monrovia Facing Water Shortages

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast (Reuters) - Liberia's capital Monrovia will have no running water for months at the height of the dry season because of millions of dollars of war damage to its main water plant, a UN official

Carl Tinstman, head of the United Nations Children's Fund in Monrovia, said West African troops recently recaptured the White Plains plant from rebels who attacked the city in October. "White Plains is bad," he said. "It's going to take four or five months before we can get any water at all ont of there.

Japan Quake Loss Is \$160 million 🥻 🕈

TOKYO (Agence France-Presse) - The earthquake that hit the northern Japanese island of Hokkaido last week caused more than \$160 million in damage, according to a provisional study.

It took account of damage to houses, public buildings, agriculture and fishing, but did not include roads, railways, phone lines or gas and electricity networks. Half the damage was suffered in Kushiro, close to

Bonn's Asylum Limits Worry UN Office

(Reuters, AFP)

BONN - The United Nations

refugee agency said Thursday that it feared that strict asylum limits planned by Germany could set nff

needed to a package of laws re-stricting Germany's liberal postwar edly lower than the nearly 440,000 law on political asylum.

"A domino effect must be avoided that would lead to the collapse tive of the high commissi

edly lower than the nearly 440,000 who sought asylum here last year.

to draw the attention of the inter-

national conference on the former

Yugoslavia to abuses of human

The Geneva conference resumes

The report listed cases of abuse.

based on interviews conducted by

Amnesty International, journalists,

and women's and human rights

Amnesty said Bosnian Serbian

forces were using rape as a weapon

of war to further their expansionist

Mr. Howen said leaders of the

forces involved in the conflict were

ultimately responsible, both as

"beads of the command structure,"

and because they had failed to stop

Amnesty said evidence showed

that in some cases rape was orga-

nized and systematic, with the de-

liberate detention of women for the

purpose of rape and sexual abuse.

strategy in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

groups working in the region.

efforts on Saturday to mediate an

rights in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

end to the war.

the abuses.

"We are at the limits of what our

United Nations and the U.S. mili-

tary said Thursday. The journalist, Liu Jiang, a cor-

Chancellor Helmut Kohl's center-right coalition government and the left-leaning Social Democrats have agreed to change the asylum law anchored in Germany's constitution after months of rightist violence against refugees and other

But Justice Minister Sabine Lentbeusser-Schnarrenberger warned against hopes that the asy-hum law, by cutting down on the flow of refugees, would halt racist

TRAVEL UPDATE

Singapore Airlines will add two flights to the Japanese city of Sendai, giving it a daily service between the cities, a spokesman for the airline said

All Nippon Airways has asked the Japanese Transport Ministry for permission to fly to Shanghai three times a week beginning March 30. Last week, Japan Airlines announced it would triple its flights to nine

cach week starting on the same date.

The Hotel Bali Beach, a luxury hotel on the Indonesian resort island of Bali, was destroyed by fire Wednesday but the 400 guests and 1.030 staff. escaped injury, the police said.

Britain has published the first complete revision since 1978 of Highway Code, a perennial best-seller that gives rules and advice to road heavy. users from pedestrians, horse-riders and bicyclists to drivers of heavy

Friend or Foe? A Tough Call for U.S. 'Sheriffs' in Somalia

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is that the music serves as an early- Chinese journalist was wounded

kilnmeters) northwest of Mogadi- Mogadishu, spokesmen for the śbu. "That's the signal that the Americans are here — hide the weap-ons," said Sergeant Gary Goss. ons, said Sergeant Gary Goss.
The Zam Zam's musical selectory, was taken to a Swedish field

in the town, about 50 miles (80

cases this has resulted in bandits keeping their guns hidden while farmers, truck drivers and other

Chinese Journalist Wounded in Attack in Mogadishu

hospital after his left leg was shat-tered by a bullet. Mr. Liu said that he, his Somali warning alarm for bad characters and his Somali driver killed in one of several shooting incidents in

driver and another Somali assistant were returning to Mr. Liu's botel on Wednesday night when a car approached them from the opposite direction. As Mr. Liu's driver slowed dawn, faur gunmen emerged from the other car and surrounded Mr. Liu's car.

tured the left leg above the knee. In another incident, U.S. Ma-

Somali gunmen who tried to run a

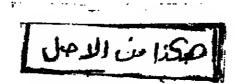
The driver, trying to escape, sped up and the gummen opened lire, Mr. Liu said, Mr. Liu, who was sitting in the front passenger seat, was hit in both legs. The bullet passed through his right leg, causing only a flesh wound then free.

Marine roadblock in a Mogadishu suburb on Wednesday night.

Security through much of the country has markedly improved since the start of Operation Restore. Hope on Dec. 9. The U.S.-led operation now numbers 36 000 troops ing only a flesh wound, then frac- ation now numbers 36,000 troops from 21 countries. Isolated cases of banditry still

rines opened fire at a group of six occur when night falls.

(AP, Reuters)



country can bear, and Germany, like every other state, must be able to direct and limit immigration," Two Major New Conferences a chain reaction barring refugees of the international system of asylum," Walter Knisser, a representa-But Germany's mainstream paroner's of-Mr. Seiters said in a debate on the ties defended plans to put limits on fice, said in a statement. "Refugees London **Hong Kong** the asylum law. political asylum for foreigners and must continue to have a genuine May 17-18 March 25-26 urged swift parliamentary passage of the law. chance of finding a safe place of A spokesman for the opposition Social Democrats, who agreed to The Bonn office of the UN High Interior Minister Rudolf Seiters the limits in December, said his Mark your calendar and plan to join the Commissioner for Refugees said urged the Bundestag to pass the party also wanted the package International Herald Tribune and the substantial improvements were asylum restrictions so that the tide International Chamber of Commerce as they convene two major conferences on the theme *High Technology & Profitability for the 21st Century. rock music inevitably begins blaring through the outdoor speakers
— Bob Marley or the Bee Gees
being favorites.

On the one hand, the music can
be seen as a friendly gesture of

Trying to control widespread

highway robbery, the army's 10th Mountain Division has stepped up firefight Jan. 15 in which six Somalis were killed, four of whom were unarmed civilians.

Troops have been confiscating most unregistered weapons they The conferences are for corporate decisionmakers who need to assess how the prolifera-Washington Post Service
WANLAWEYN, Somalia --- At tion of advanced technologies and the direction the Zam Zam Club, a scruffy hang-out even by the standards of this they are taking will affect financing, markets and the way companies conduct their business. be seen as a friendly gesture of welcome to the Gis who regularly Somali trouble spot, it is always easy to tell when American troops patrol this lown of 3,000, nick-named "Wally World" by the troops stationed at the nearby Bale Dogle air field. are prowling the town. Western For more information, please contact: Jane Blackmore International Herald Tribune UNIVERSITY DEGREE But a more likely explanation -63 Long Acre, London WC2 Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BACHELORS • MASTERS • DOCTORATE and the one the soldiers believe -MOGADISHU, Somalia — A Tel: (44 71) 836 48 02 Fax: (44 71) 836 07 17

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FIRST 100 DAYS / FOB'S, OVERSEAS CHAPTER World Greets the President With Nervous Optimism

By John Pomfret Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - The ascension of President Bill Clinton's generation to power in Washington captured the imagination of many around the world, with some seeing cause for hope and even envy. But others were worried about the unpredictability of the 46-year-old Arkansan, and a French newspaper warned, "Fasten

"The Woodstock generation is now in power," wrote the Austrian political columnist Hans Rauscher. "Now the forty-somethings must show they have grown up."

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In Western Europe, Germany's hieral press was quick to grah onto Mr. Clinton as a symbol of the change it believes Germany and its neighbors need.

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WASHINGTON - President

Bill Clinton played the saxo-phone for half the night at his

The new president jammed

with bands at five of the 11 inau-

gural balls he attended, transforming some of his supporters

into fans begging for more.
"Bill on sax!" the

crowds shouted at the Southern

States Ball as Mr. Clinton belted out a fierce rendition of "You

Can't Sit Down" with The Do-

veils, a Philadelphia-based rock

group.
"Tonight I'd rather play the saxophone. But tomorrow, I'd

rather work on my economic

plan," said Mr. Clinton, who had

been sworn in earlier Wednesday

job," Mr. Clinton told a crowd at

the Washington and New York

Ball after hitting a couple of rough patches while joining the

saxophonist Clarence Clemmons

and the E Street Band in a rendi-

Mr. Clemmons was nonethe-

"it's good to know that he has

something to fall back on in case

this presidency thing doesn't

At a ball at the National Build-

ing Museum, the political car-

toonist Doug Marlette was fret-

ting about the implications of it

"This is an awkward time for

cartoonists," he mattered. "There's all this hope in the air.

For many, it was a first brush

with a president, and the city was

transformed. For some, fatigue

For many young people, it was a first night out in spaghetti

There were so many balls that

The Washington Convention

Center was turned into a fiesta-

at the Sheraton Washington Ho-

tel half the people did not know

which one they were attending.

"I think I'd better keep my day

as the 42d president.

tion of "Night Train."

less impressed.

work out," he said.

We thrive on despair,"

had set in.

maugural celehration.

"The U.S. achieved in its election what the British conservative strategists tried to give former President man so serenely unpredictable has passed the first night ere too cowardly to do last year, what the French will of pull off this year and what we Germans can hardly one place where the new president was less noted the Figaro in an editorial. "Let's prepare for the best." were too cowardly to do last year, what the French will not pull off this year and what we Germans can hardly hope for next year - a clear political course change, said the Frankfurter Rundschau daily.

The British tahloid Daily Mirror used Mr. Clinton's address as an opportunity to criticize Britain's Conservalive government, in power since 1979. "He offered more hope in his 14-minute inaugural message than there has been in Britain in the last 14 years," it said.

The generational theme has particular resonance for U.S.-British ties because the passing of leaders alive during World War II suggests a possible re-examination of the "special relationship" between London and Washington. The Conservative government of Prime Minister John Major has also fended off criticism that its coziness with the Republican Party, and the help

First-Nighter Clinton Jams for Dessert

President Clinton wailing away at an inaugural ball.

plex. At the ballyhooed MTV ball husband, Edwin, a lawyer, had

Susan Williams, an assistant ational divide, or at least a cultur-

undersecretary in the Carter ad- al one, was the booing of Tipper

ministration, was examining the Gore at the MTV ball. As a visi-

scene the way a biology student bly shaken Mrs. Gore ap-would a paramecium. She and her proached the microphone, there

than expected was Russia. The Russians appear so consumed with their own political and economic problems that they paid relatively little public attention to

the inauguration.

Mr. Clinton's relatively forthright inaugural speech caught attention in Japan, where tough talk from politicians is rare. "It's amazing the way an American president can so openly tell his people what the coun-

try has done wrong," said Youaro Konaka, an analyst on TV Asahi's morning news program. In Western Europe, some doubts were raised from quarters accustomed to the predictability of 12 years

were calls of "Censorship, cen-sorship!" and "Tipper hates mu-

sic!" The new second lady had

once been active in trying to clean

up the lyrics of rock songs. But generally it was an evening

of hope. On the day Mr. Clinton talked about renewal, there was

Jim Wright, the former speaker of

the House, hohnohbing at the Southern States Ball looking for

redemption. Black cowboy hats perched above the crowd like rav-

ens on the heads of lanky, tux-

At the Triangle Ball, which its

organizers called the first such

gala for homosexuals, Joseph C. Steffan, the navy midshipman

who was forced to resign two

months hefore graduation in

1987 for being homosexual, sang

the national anthem, joined after

a few bars hy the whole ballroom.

Cat Clinton whipped out his sax

and started jamming with Ben E. King in a serious way. Christine Lahti and Mary Steenhurgen

were in the conga line. Forget all

those tuxedos and stretch limou-

sines. At the end of his dignified

speech Mr. Clinton shouted

Sooooooooo-eeee, Razorbacks!"

the Inaugural Youth Ball at the

Post Office, held in honor of Chelsea Clinton and other young

people. Hillary Clinton had asked

that no alcohol be served, according to a doorkeeper taking tick-

ets.
The hartenders dutifully

served only Coke, diet Coke, Sprite and water. The current

Miss U.S.A. National Petite, Car-

mella Papaleo. 8, was there, decked out in a white dress and

It was a night of party-hopping

'till you drop. Appearances mat-

tered, especially for the president

and vice president. Their first stop was the Veteran's Inaugural Ball, a calculated gesture, partic-

ularly given controversy during the campaign over Mr. Clinton's

avoidance of the draft.

her crown.

The only dry affair in town was

At the Arkansas Ball, the Cool

edo-clad men.

of a Republican administration. "One could be struck with vertigo at the idea that a

rather than the worst. But fasten your seat belts!"

In Germany, optimists pointed to Mr. Clinton's stated admiration for the German health and joh training systems, but observers said the generation gap between Mr. Clinton and Chancellor Helmut Kohl, 63, may combine with Mr. Kohl's unusually close ties with Mr. Bush to produce a certain estrangement.

"Kohl and the people around him are old men." said Heinrich Bortfledt, an eastern Berlin historian who specializes in U.S.-German affairs. "They look at the world in a different way and they are wary of Clinton. They know there are pressures for a new generation of leadership here, too, so Clinton hrings a difficult message for them."

A Fast Follow-Up On Gay Servicemen

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton will announce a policy ending discrimination against homosexuals in the military within a week, his press secretary, Dee Dee

Myers, said Thursday. Representative Barney Frank, Democrat of Massachusetts, a ho-mosexual, said he expected Mr. Clinton to order the Pentagon to stop asking recruits about their sexual orientation or discharging members of the armed services

found to be gay,
Miss Myers said, "The president has said he will end discrimination against gays in the military, and we'll announce the policy on that within a week."

Asked if he would issue an executive order, she said, "There are a lot of ways you can do it." At a time when military officials

are already nervous because of deep cuts in Pentagon spending. lifting the prohibition on homosexuals has become one of the most emotional issues to engulf the armed services in decades.

Although top Pentagon officials acknowledge that thousands of ho- Frank said.

mosexual men and women serve in the 1.8-million-man military, senior officers like General Colin L. Powell, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, have consistently opposed lifting the ban.

During an open house Thursday at the White House, several people pressed Mr. Clinton to keep his

"The gay community is so excited to have you as our president," one man told him.

"Keep your chin up," Mr. Clin-

ton responded Mr. Frank said Mr. Clintoo

would end discrimination against homosexuals in a two-step process. tn the first step, he will direct Defense Secretary Les Aspin to draw up an executive order formally lifting the ban, Mr. Frank said. That is expected in several months, as the Pentagoo works out issues such as revisions in the code of conduct for heterosexuals and homosexuals alike,

In the interim, the president will tell Mr. Aspin "not to have anybody discharged or otherwise disciplined simply for being gay," Mr.

Coast Guard Action in Haiti Appears Effective, For Now

Washington Post Service

CAP HAITIEN, Haiti - President Bill Clinton's decision to barricade Haiti with Coast Guard cutters appears to be working, halting the feared mass exodus of tens of thousands of Haitian refugees who were threatening to set sail on In-

president, the Reverend Jean-Bertrand Aristide, to office.

ago, were returned to power.

Haiti has seen its economy crumhle and political repression grow since Father Aristide's overthrow. Mr. Clinton's campaign promises only temporary, until the United to grant Haitians hearings for political asylum in patrols, and that the exodus would turning them led to a flurry of boatresume unless a political settlement huilding activities by people

auguration Day. Residents here said the halt was States fired of the Coast Guard

Many people building boats said they would not leave if Father Aristide, the nation's first elected president, who was removed by the military in a bloody coup 16 months

was reached, returning the deposed desperate for a new life.

, CLINTON: First-Day Crisis

(Continued from page 1)

poulos, reaffirmed Mr. Clinton's

support for her. Mr. Stephanopoulos, declaring that "President Clinton today got to work," conducted his first official daily news briefing. He said Mr. Clinton was preparing to sign an order creating an economic council in the White House, but declined to say when the president would move forward on a range of other expected decisions.

At the State Department, Secretary of State Warren M. Christo-) pher met with Nelson Mandela, leader of South Africa's African National Congress.

Congress immediately launched into processing Mr. Clinton's nominees for top government posts. Nearly 100 have been named so far, but thousands of jobs remain unfilled. Judging from past transfers of power, Mr. Clinton was expected to have a rocky first few weeks in office, despite an outpouring of public good will.

Away From Politics

Lowry of Washington declared a state of emergency.

• Storms killed five people in Washington State as torrential rains and gale-force winds battered the U.S. Northwest. Governor Mike

Jean Harris, who is serving a prison term of 15 years to life for the murder of the cardiologist Herman Tarnower, has been approved for

murger of the carthologist Fierman Tarnower, has been approved for parole and could be released within a week. Mrs. Harris, 69, has been incarcerated for almost 12 years for the 1980 shooting of Dr. Tarnower, her longtime lover and author of the "Scarsdale Diet." A

clemency granted in December by Governor Mario M. Cuomo made

ner engine for parole.

● After repeated failures to jolt free the Galileo spacecraft's main antenna, engineers have begun preparations to salvage the craft's mission to Jupiter by making the most of a weaker, slower-transmiting small antenna. "There is really nothing left for us to try," said ting small antenna. "There is really nothing left for us to try," said William J. O'Neil, project manager at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory

GIVENCHY

Among the first items on the congressional agenda are bills that were passed last year by the Democratic-controlled Congress but ve-

there, the "creative black tie"

dress included a young man in a

George Washington-style hreech-

es, brocaded jacket and mud-

flecked combat boots - the haut-

Many of the grown-ups tried to

thug look.

make sense of it all.

tood hy President George Bush. The two most prominent are measures that would require most U.S. employers to grant unpaid leave to workers who must care for sick family members and permit voter registration at the same time drivers' licenses are issued. According to congressional lead-

ers and Clinton administration aides, a package of bills designed to provide a modest stimulus to the economy, trim government spending and revamp the nation's health insurance system is expected in mid-February. Mr. Clinton is to deliver a State of the Union address to Congress in the next few weeks in which these issues will be dis-

The leader of the Republican op-position, Senator Bob Dole of Kansas, said Thursday that Mr. Clinton would be forgiven for backpedaling on some campaign promises,

(Continued from page 1) badly," he said. Democrats are in

swapped their tickets to the state

"I think this is symbolic of a

generational change, which is

what the election was about for me," she said. She locked mysil-

One less pacific sign of a gener-

balls with friends.

the majority on the panel. One of the Senate's six women. Republican Nancy Landon Kassebaum of Kansas, announced her opposition to Ms. Baird "with deep regret." She said she was "deeply troubled by her admission" that the nomince "knowingly violated the laws of an agency she would over-

Ms. Baird said Thursday, as she had on Tuesday, that she had erred, and had thought long and hard about how she would discuss it with employees of the Justice Department and immigration service if she were confirmed.

Several members of the committee said their constituents were overwhelmingly opposed to her nomination, hased on telephone calls to their offices. And a prominent Democrat, former Representative Barbara Jordan of Texas, issued a call for the 40-year-old corporate lawyer to take the "ethi-cal high ground" and withdraw.

cratic convention. a committee rule, any member Ms. Baird said she did not want could ask for a week's delay at that to minimize her violation of the law point.

"I'm just trying to say that I think a legal worker.
the power of my overall record and "I don't think it was the price the potential I have to serve this because we were prepared to pay country" should override the situa-more," Ms. Baird said. She added

Aetna Life & Casualty Co., head-ment that the worker stay for a ing a department of more than 100 lengthy period of time to provide lawyers. The Justice Department continuity for her son. has about 90,000 employees, in-

JUSTICE: President Expresses Support for Attorney General-Designate Ms. Jordan is a professor at the ware Democrat who chairs the LBI School of Public Affairs at the committee, said the panel would University of Texas and was key- not vote before Wednesday or note speaker at last year's Demo- Thursday, and that in keeping with

> hy hiring two illegal aliens from Peru for baby-sitting and driving chores, but she noted it was a civil ability to find a U.S. citizen to take violation for which penalties care of her son, 3, given her earlier amounted to \$2,900, which she testimony that she had paid the paid last Saturday.
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that possible factors were that she Ms. Baird is chief counsel for wanted live-in help and a commit-

cluding those in component agen-cies such as the immigration service mittee, said that though calls to his office have been heavily against Joseph R. Biden Jr., the Dela- Ms. Baird, "I don't go by polls.

"She made a terrible mistake, hut all the rest of her background is exemplary and I don't want to see her smeared."

Charles E. Grassley, Republican of lowa, said that Justice Department regulations would prevent a willful lawbreaker like Ms. Baird from being hired.

Aides to Senator Howard M. Metzenbaum, Democrat of Ohio, estimated their office received 200 calls about Ms. Baird — all nega-

Senator Larry Craig, Republican of Idaho, said he would vote against Ms. Baird.

Belarus-U.S. Hot Line Set

The Associated Press

MINSK, Belarus - Belarussian and American military officials will be able to communicate on nuclear-related issues on a hot line that is to he established between the two countries, authorities in Belarus

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Senate Confirms 14 Clinton Appointments

WASHINGTON - The Senate approved 13 more leading members of President Bill Clinton's fledgling administration Thursday.
On a single voice vote, it confirmed Donna E. Shalala as secretary of health and human services. Leon E. Panetta as director of the Office of Management and Budget, Mike Espy as agriculture secretary, Robert B. Reich as labor secretary, Henry G. Cisneros as secretary of housing and urban development, Hazel R. O'Leary as energy secretary, Richard W. Riley as secretary of education, Jesse Brown as veterans affairs secretary and Federico Pena as transporta-

lo other votes, approval went to to Carol M. Browner as administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, Roger C. Altman as deputy Treasury secretary, Alice M. Rivlin as deputy director of the Office of Management and Budget, Mickey Kantor as U.S. trade representative and Ronald H. Brown as Commerce secretary. (AP)

Will Grass Be Greener for Bush and Ranger?

HOUSTON - George Bush, private citizen, showed up at his oew office Thursday, wasting no time beginning a life without the press pack smothering security and "Hail to the Chief."

"We've done our best, tried our hardest." he said as he came home to Houston. "It's now time for a new team. It's time to stay away from the head table, stay away from interviews." He went to his office atop the nine-story Park Laureate Building shortly after 9 A.M., carrying a hriefcase and with his dog, Ranger, in tow.

While he went inside the huilding, Ranger remained behind and rolled in the wet grass. Mr. Bush quickly emerged on a balcony outside his suite, calling the dog. Ranger obediently entered the building with a staff member and went up the elevator.

(AP)

Apprenticeship in Pomp and Circumstance

WASHINGTON — It's not just the country that must adjust to the idea of a President Clinton. Bill Clinton himself is still feeling the

Shortly after the new president took his seat in the reviewing stand at the inaugural parade on Wednesday, a uniformed military officer walked over and saluted him. Mr. Clinton froze for a few seconds before he realized that his new status as commander in chief required him to salute back.

When a Marine retrieved the overcoat that Mr. Clinton had deposited on the ledge in front of the booth's hullet-proof window to hang it up, the president reached out his arm as if to say, "doo'l Then Mr. Clinton pulled back, recognizing, as a friend in the box with him put it, "that from now on he will be waited on hand and foot."

During the parade, the president went into "business mode," as one friend put it. for a serious, extended conversation with his secretary of state, Warren M. Christopher. But whenever a float or high school hand from Arkansas came into view, he would scurry back to his front-row seat to look raptly attentive for the television

Indyk Appointment: Ticket Hasn't Exploded

WASHINGTON - Word that Martin Indyk, the Australianborn head of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, which is often seen as pro-Israel, is headed for the National Security Council does not seem to be sparking fireworks in the Arat-American

Mr. Indyk, who recently became a U.S. citizen, was formerly a researcher for the main Israel lobby, the American Israel Public Affairs Committee.

Quote-Unquote

The German daily newspaper General-Anzeiger of Bonn. commenting on the show in Washington: "Great hopes lie on Bill Clinton's shoulders. He would have to be a political Hercules in order fulfit them all."

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in Pasadena, California, referring to efforts to free the main antenna.

• A proposal to divert state aid from wealthy to poor school districts came under attack from officials in New York City's suburbs, which

would bear the brunt of the cuts needed to make Governor Mario M. Cuomo's plan work. In Nassau, Suffolk, Rockland and Westchester counties, where about 80 percent of the school districts would lose

aid under the plan, school officials predicted that Mr. Cuomo's proposal would lead to teacher layoffs, larger classes, fewer courses

and higher property taxes.

Judges in Dallas County, Texas, refused to reopen their courtrooms

and vowed to keep them closed until metal detectors or X-ray machines were installed. The state and county judges are frustrated

and angered by the county's slowness in securing the courts. The

protest began after a man shot his estranged wife, a bystander and then himself in the hallway of a county courthouse. Review. WP. NYT

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Off on the Right Note

Short and Sweet

President Bill Clinton said a lot in a short space on Wednesday. Whatever new system he has found for committing his speech thoughts to paper, this time it could truly be said that the system worked. And although much of what he said he had said before, we note that he put things in the right context for the occasion. We are thinking first of his theme of generational change. It was not construed by him as a claim of entitlement, but rather as a call to service; it did not imply insurrection, but rather a coming of age. The new president acknowledged the sacrifices and commitment of the generation that had fought the battles of the generation that had fought the battles of the past half-century, paid his respects to them in the person of former President George Bush.

But it was clear that Mr. Clinton was

promising something new and quite different from the philosophy and ambience of the Bush years and those that went before. Well, naturally: Change has been his insistent, yearlong theme. But again, as much as the new president has talked about change this past year, on the occasion of taking office he linked it, as he should have, to the preservation of traditional ideals: "Though we march to the music of our time, our

Finally, he redeemed the classic, perhaps inevitable downer note of the challenger, that habit of seeing only gloom and doom and problems and failures everywhere, by way of suggesting that things are sufficiently bad to throw the rascals out. Mr. Clinton said it exactly right and with what we optimistically hail as his new succinctness: "There is nothing wrong with America that cannot be cured by what is right with America." It was said that in this first address as

A Dawn of Promise

Now, at long last, Bill Clinton of Arkan-sas is President Clinton, and it is time to take him at his word. In a ceremony of sweeping dignity, he capped a campaign fueled by promises of many kinds with two crowning pledges to the American people. The 42d president said he would bring a new dawn of compassion and a higher standard of ethical behavior in Washington.

In word and symbol, this was an inauguration that said America can oo longer assault its children and its helpless poor with the twin barrels of ideology and indifference. The president's clear-eyed social prescription felt like a soothing balm after the bootstrap exhortations of the Reagan years and the myopic theorizing about private charity that passed for social policy under George Bush. We must provide for our nation the way a family provides for its children," Mr. Clinton said, then added a bracing call to "break the bad habit of expecting something for nothing." Even so, it was a clear statement of the message of this election. The American people no longer believe that compassion summons sloth, but instead have decided that stinginess twists the hearts of the affluent even as it punishes the undefended.

But for clarity of vision, nothing in the ech matched Mr. Chinton's limining of Washington as a "place of intrigue and calculation" where the public interest gets ground into the midway dust of a circus of greed. He said he was coming to town with people who intend "to reform our politics, so that power and privilege no longer shout down the voice of the people."

There seems little doubt of Mr. Clinton's

president Mr. Clinton oeeded to break through to higher ground, get above the policy points he so loves to make and state (to use the term that is somewhat exhausted by oow) "a vision." We think he did. He offered a tight description of a "new world" that is at once "more free but less stable" and is interconnected by communications and commerce to a degree that has oever before been so. "There is no clear division today between what is foreign and what is domestic," he said, and he portrayed American workers as earning our livelihood in peaceful competition

with people all across the Earth."
This world economy has greatly enriched the lives of the "millions of Americans who are able to compete and win in it," but millions of others have been left behind, be said. Those more than any others were the Americans whose lot he called upon the country to help improve. It would be well to remember, he said, that "but for fate, we the fortunate and the unfortunate - might have been each other."

Much was made of his call in this speech for "sacrifice," as if it were a new theme for The word is new, and Mr. Clinton certainly did not dwell on prospective pain and suffering in his campaign pitch. But the root idea was always implicit in his recurrent call for a greater national effort on behalf of public purposes. In announcing his candidacy in October 1991, the governor of Arkansas said he was asking "every American citizen to assume personal re-sponsibility for the future of our country." In slightly different words he did it again on Wednesday, at the culmination of that long quest and the beginning of another. It is the right note at the right time.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

sincerity. But his record as governor and candidate show that he occasionally confuses mere assertion with real accomp ment. Moreover, he has exhibited a selfrighteous streak and a quick temper when reminded that his performance has sometimes failed to climb as high as his pro-mises. So, at the risk of making him testy, it is necessary to say that his "season of ser-vice" will fade unless he starts immediately to curb the appetites and police the qualifications of his cabinet. They may look like America, but in the confirmation hearings they have been sounding like Washington,

Perhaps the best thing Mr. Clinton did on his first day was to send the song and poetry of two powerful women rolling down the Mall. Such feminine — and feminist — force has been missing in Washington for too long. So it lifted the heart almost to weeping to hear the voice of Marilyn Home rise in a hymn to this rainbow people. As for the mighty Whitmanesque ca-dences of Maya Angelou, an entire history of hope in America was captured in her invocation of the African-American experieuce, a people "arriving on a nightmare, praying for a dream."

With the magnificent voices of these women, with the uncancelable promises of his own speech, William Jefferson Chinton has proclaimed a new dispensation for this nabe. Wednesday was a time to hear and celebrate every word uttered by Americans' president or unleashed on his order under the soaring vault of a flawless and sun-washed American sky. But today and in every second of every hour for the next four years comes the time of holding him to those words.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

A Policy to Prod Iraq

President Bill Clinton is welcome. So is its And it needs to guarantee that its Kurdish agreement to stop obstructing United Na-tions flights. But neither gesture represents cidal attacks. If Saddam complies, Mr. progress. They are just the latest example of Saddam Hussein's "cheat and retreat" defiance. On the main issues - providing full information on weapons programs, respecting Kuwait's new borders, and compensating neighbors for war damage — matters stand exactly where they did three weeks ago, except that now the White House is occupied by Bill Clinton instead of George Bush.

Mr. Clinton's first responsibility is to erase any doubts that Saddam might harbor about America's resolve to see Security Council resolutions enforced. Uotil Iraq obeys those resolutions it can expect no improvement in relations, no relief from economic sanctions, and no end to the threat of military force. Baghdad forfeits the pro-tection of the UN cease-fire resolution every time it violates the cease-fire terms.

But merely reaffirming resolve is not a policy. It is not enough to say that "Saddam must go" when the allies have no ready means of sending him on his way. Nor does it make much sense to call on Iraq to obey all UN resolutions and then declare that the full range of economic and military pressures will still be maintained if it does. Mr. Clinton needs to define, as Mr. Bush stubbornly refused to, what changes in Iraqi policy are required to bring these extraordinary military and economic measures to an end.

Certainly these changes have to include full disclosure of all arms facilities and suppliers and agreement to intrusive inctions for years to come. Baghdad must pledge full respect for Kuwait's independence and for the new borders that UN commissioners mapped out last year. Iraq

Baghdad's decision to stop shooting at must also agree to dedicate a share of its American planes as a "goodwill gesture" to future oil revenues to war compensation. Clinton might offer to suspend economic sanctions and lift the two oo-flight zones. Arms sales to Irao would stay banned, and the suspended measures would be reimposed should Iraq break its word.

The problem with moving from macho rhetoric to serious strategy is that it acknowledges the possibility that a chastened Saddam could bow to international law and thereby remain in power. That is a risk, but no worse than the present stalemate that strains the allied coalition and distracts Washington and the United Nations from urgent business elsewhere. And by making such an explicit offer, Mr. Clinton could arm Saddam's internal rivals with a compelling argument for pushing him aside if

be continues to strut.

Mr. Clinton should have chosen his words far more carefully last week when he speculated out loud about the possibility of a "deathbed conversion" in Baghdad open-ing the way to "normal relations." Mr. Bush was still the president and was at that very moment engaged in a test of wills with the Iraqi dictator. Rightly, Mr. Clinton quickly repudiated his own speculations. But he ought not to repudiate the underlying idea. Th link Iraq's treatment to Iraq's behavior, while insisting on full compliance with all relevant Security Council resolutions,

would be a buge step in the right direction.
The first real test of Mr. Clinton's foreign policy skills will be whether be can successfully conclude the experiment in international law enforcement that his predecessor so auspiciously began.

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It Isn't the Job of the United States To Solve All the World's Problems

N EW YORK — Candidate Bill Clinton promised "to focus like a laser beam" on domestic problems. The priority was correct; the promise, unrealistic. In his inaugural address, President Clinton set aside the pledge and said: "To renew America, we must meet chal-lenges abroad as well as at home." But the chaotic world awaiting the new president will demand al-most all of his attention. And that

To resist, he oeeds a strategy for weaning everyone off the central organizing principle of world poli-

After a transition period, collective security must be made truly collective.

nics - that it is up to the United States to solve all problems, espe-

cially the military ooes.
Otherwise Bill Clinton, like Otherwise Bill Clinton, like Woodrow Wilson, will find his nightmares coming true. "It would be an irony of fate," President-elect Wilson said in 1912, "if my administration had to deal chiefly with foreign affairs." Irooy soon became reality as Europe plunged into war and his eberished domestic awards perished in the trenches. tie agenda perished in the trenches.

Mr. Clinton confronts circumstances almost as fateful, but with

By Leslie H. Gelb

fewer choices. Mr. Wilson could resist war pressures for a time while other great powers did battle with Germany. Today there is no alternative to Washington's leadership and oo substitute for U.S. military power. If Mr. Clinton fails to lead in Somalia, Bosnia, Iraq, etc., no other country can or will.

And if the trouble spots grow still more troublesome, as some surely will he will be biamed. The Republicans will start the attack, arguing that the world was a safer place before the Democrats took over. Soon voters will have forgotten George Bush's last two years in of-fice, when he fiddled while all these foreign crises festered. By that time they will be Mr. Clinton's crises.

Most Americans will also blame the new president, even though they demonstrated little interest in foreign affairs during the presidential campaign and gave every evi-dence that they wanted him to con-centrate on the home front. They will blame him either way — for committing U.S. forces and neglecting America, or for staying out of harm's way and allowing foreign. tinderboxes to ignite.

Mr. Clintoo showed on Monday

that be grasped the dilemma when be told diplomats in one breath that he would strive "to resolve contentious disputes and to meet the challenges of the next century," not and should not bear the world's

burdens alone."

The trick for the new president will be to lead in ways that persuade and compel other countries to assume much greater responsibility for their own security — so that, in time, he can focus on domestic priorities.

much as they all realize that the United States oeeds to pay more attention to its own staggering problems, few can tolerate a world spinning out of control.

Second, other countries must be

burdens alone."

Three elements must sit at the

core of such a strategy: First, as the sole superpower, the United States will have to continue shouldering midue burdens for a while. And Mr. Clinton will have to devote more energy to wrestling with world problems than be wants. Otherwise foreign leaders, Republicans and American opin-ion-makers will eat him alive. As

persuaded to bear far heavier burdens in confronting their own local and regional conflicts. They will not be happy with this notion. They all have a cushy deal now. They simply plead weakness and wait for Uncle Sam to do the dirty work. And they will not give up this deal miless Mr. Clinton both corners them and reassures them that America will remain by their side.

Third, collective security has to be built brick by crumbling brick at the United Nations and in regional

organizations. Competent interna-tional staffs like NATO's have to be developed. Countries will have to earmark forces for joint action and train them together. They must also be made to make hard decisions together —or suffer the con-sequences. After a transition peri-od, collective security must be made truly collective.

Mr. Clinton set the stage for such a strategy in his inaugural address. He showed he knew that the United States had "to shape change, lest it enguif us." He warned that when vital interests are threatened, "we will act — with peaceful diplomacy whenever possible, with force when

"But our greatest strength," he continued, "is the power of our ideas." The United States remains the land of democracy and hope— and to find the time and resources to keep it that way, President Clin-ton, paradoxically, first has to get on top of the world.

The New York Times.

World Order Under Law Will Take a New Deal From Clinton WASHINGTON — As the Clinton presi-dency began, Serbs had been carrying out a policy of "ethnic cleansing" against Bos-nian Muslims, Palestinians had been deported

By Shridath Ramphal

The writer is former secretary-general of the Commonwealth.

sharply with international inaction in these other areas. The pretext in the case of Iraq is that UN Security Council resolutions have been violated. But to most of the world's people

A solitary superpower deploying high-tech military might across the globe as its political judgment dictates is not the world order the UN Charter envisages.

United Nations Security Council resolutions. Yet no military force is assembled to enforce compliance and end the human suffering.

by Israel and forced to camp in a freezing no-

man's-land; Cambodians are victims of re-

newed horrors at the hands of the Khmer

Rouge. All these actions are in defiance of

In South Africa, where the evil aftereffects of apartheid still hold sway, even sanctions were thought too punitive and have since gone. The military strikes against Iraq ordered in the dying days of the Bush presidency contrast

— and many governments, however muted their public posture—it is an abuse of power, a vainglorious display of military might against an almost defenseless foe.

The fact that Saddam Hussein has committed indefensible crimes against Iraq's ethnic and religious minorities — many of them while he was supported and armed by the West — is not seen as justification for selected target practice against Iraq while larger inhumanities are verbally denounced but allowed immunity

from military response.

Nor is the fact that Saddam continues to assert Iraq's claim to Kuwait (as Argentina does to the Falklands) seen as instification. Or the fact that he remains loudmouthed and disparaging of the United Nations, the United States and the West in general.

Why is this overkill against Iraq allowed?

cause there is no one to stop it. In the Cold War era, the mutual propensity of the two superpowers for excesses was curbed by fear of each other, Now, with the United States as the sole superpower, there is no such balance. But there is much to lose. The use of military power without moral authority is not leadership but amboritarianism. In the end, it distorts the meaning of peace, justice, democracy and truth.

The threat from Saddam Hussein, which was held to justify Operation Desert Storm, has been dissipated; the West's friends in the Gulf who supply oil are not endangered, at least not by external threats.

So one must conclude that the recent offen-sive was prompted by perceived political gain at home. And the hasty re-enactment of Desert Storm in the last days of a rejected government is profoundly disturbing.
It is also disturbing to the wider issue of a world order under law. A solitary superpower

deploying high-tech military might across the globe as its political indement dictates is not the world order the UN Charter envisages, aminorizes or provides cover for.

President Bill Clinton has been passed a

poisoned chalice. He must not drink from it. A world under law is not compatible with business as usual in the style of the outgoing admin-istration. Securing it is the challenge of the years ahead. Doing so will require not only new wineskins but new wine.

International Herald Tribune.

With Its Uranium Shells, Desert Storm May Have Sown Death

AMMAN, Jordan — The Gulf War lives on, as this week's air strikes against Iraq have proved. But batteries in forbidden places. It extends, frighteningly, to radioactive artillery shells used by the coalition forces two years ago. The spent rounds may be the cause of fatal illnesses, including cancer and mysterious new stomach ailments, showing

up in Iraqi children.

Due to sanctions and war, the death rate of children under 5 has tripled. In the first eight months of 1991 alone, 50,000 children died.

Known as depleted uranium penetrators, the shells were developed by the Pentagoo in the late 1970s as antitank, armor-piercing projectiles.

Depleted uranium, which makes up the shell's core, is a radioactive byproduct of the enrichment process used to make atomic bombs and nuclear fuel rods. The material is extremely hard and abundant and provided free to weapons manufacturers

By Eric Hoskins by the nuclear industry. When fired, military vehicles. Iraqi forces did not tile has been fired.

that belps it pierce the armor of tanks and other military targets. Diesel vapors inside the tank are ignited and the crew is burned alive. In the six-week land war against Iraq, U.S. and allied coalition tanks, artillery and attack planes fired at least 10,000 of the 6-inch (150-milli-

meter), 6- to 8-pound (2.7- to 3.6kilogram) shells. A confidential report by the United Kingdom Atomie Energy Authority, written in April 1991 and leaked to the London ocwspaper The Independent in November of that year,

estimates that at least 40 tons of depleted uranium was dispersed in Iraq and Kuwait during the war.

Among other things, the depleted uranium rounds forced the Pentagoo to concede additional Iriendly-fire casualties when traces of radioactiv-

ity were found on destroyed coalition

While it is too early to prove a

link, many health experts suspect that the postwar increase in childhood cancer and mysterious swollen abdomens is due, at least in part, to the radioactive shells. United Nations personnel and aid workers have seen children playing with empty shells, abandoned weapons and destroyed tanks. In Basra, a foreign doctor saw a child using depleted ura-

mium shells as hand puppers.

The Pentagon insists that depleted uranium is "very, very mildly radioactive" and that the shells are not radioactive enough to be classified as a "radiological weapon." It has claimed that allied tank crews firing the rounds received little radiation, the equivalent of a chest X-ray each day.

Most doctors and scientists agree that even mild radiation is dangerous and increases one's risk of cancer.

More important, the health risk becomes much greater once the projec-

release uranium particles in the air.

The airborne particles enter the body easily. The transum then deposits itself in bones, organs and cells. Children are especially vulnerable because their cells divide rapidly as they grow. In pregnant women, absorbed uranium can cross the placen-

ta into the bloodstream of the fetus. In addition to its radioactive dangers, uranium is chemically toxic, like lead, and can damage the kidneys or lungs. Perhaps the fatal epidemic of swollen abdomens among Iraqi children is caused by kidney failure resulting from uranium poisoning. Whatever the effect of the depleted uranium shells, it is made worse by malnutrition and poor health conditions.

The British report called the presence of depleted uranium in Iraq and Kuwait a "significant problem," concluding that there is enough uranium there to cause "tens of thousands of potential deaths."

Fortunately, there have been oo reports of uranium-related illnesses in Kuwait. That may be because fewer uranium shells were used there most of the heavy ground fighting took place in southern Iraq — and because the country was cleaned up after the war.

The danger posed by the uranium shells is widely recognized. In July, German authorities arrested Siegwart Counther, director of the Albert Schweitzer Institute, when he arrived in Berlin carrying a spent round retrieved from Iraq; he was charged with illegally "releasing ionizing radiation." The shell, its ra-dioactivity confirmed by two laboratories, was sealed in a lead-lined box. Needless to say, there are not many lead-lined boxes in Iraq.

It is likely that the depleted uranium may have already contaminated soil and drinking water in Iraq. If this is the case, Iraqis could be exposed to the radioactive and toxic effects of uranium for generations to come. Certainly such fears are not with-

where uranium rounds are test-fired by the military, questions have been raised concerning ground-water poisoning. In 1986 James Parker, then associate director of the Bureau of Land Management; told Congress that land used to test these weapons could be permanently contamina

Despite the risks associated with depleted uranium, there has been virtnally no public debate about its effects in Iraq. The UN Environment Program, which has investigated the ecological damage of the Gulf War, has been remarkably silent. To date, no effort has been made to assess the extent of radioactive contamination due to depleted pranium rounds in Iraq or to locate and remove the shells.

Although the U.S. Congress has ordered the military to monitor the health of soldiers exposed to smoke from Kuwaiti oil fires, there has been no such directive concerning exposure to depleted uranium.
What should be done? Once cur-

rent tensions in the Gulf have subsided, qualified research groups; such as the 1991 Harvard Study Team. should go to Iraq to analyze soil and water for evidence of uranium con-tamination. Epidemiologists should explore the connection between the uranium shells and cancer.

The United Nations must take a

more active role in investigating the danger posed by the shells and begin cleanup efforts of all radioactive shells remaining in Iraq and Kuwait.
It should also consider recommending that depleted uranium oenetrators be banned in accordance with international treaties on chemical and radioactive weapons.

The writer, a doctor and public health specialist, was medical coordinator of the Harvard Study Team's surveys of health in postwar Iraq. He contri this comment to The New York Times.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Uprising in Hayti LONDON -A telegram from Portau-Prince dated yesterday [Jan. 21] states that the Minister of War has

crushed the rising at Lanse-de-Pean and has returned to the capital with a number of prisoners. President Hip-polyte's eldest son died at the palace in the afternoon, and a rumor is current that he was poisoned. Placards inciting the people to further outbreaks were posted up last night by friends of General Mannigat and Prophete and other exiles.

1918: Workless Monday

NEW YORK — The city cheerfully obeyed today [Jan. 21] the drastic order of the Fuel Administrator, Mr. Garfield, for a workless Monday with a view of saving coal.

LONDON — In a despatch to the

Daily News the Washington correspondent says of the coal regulation:
"Public opinion admits the necessity
of the order and Mr. Wilson's pres-

tige was never greater. The order is a magnificent proof of comradeship with the Allies. The whole country is laid under a voluntary economic in terdict at a vast sacrifice. At a word from the President, everything is subordinated to Allied, and particu-larly to British, needs."

1943: The Fate of Tripoli LONDON - From our New York edition: New advances by the Axis forces in Tunisia in an operation apparently aimed at throwing a strong barrier between the Allies and the coast to protect the line of German Field Marshal Erwin Roomee's retreat westward from Libya were reported today [Jan. 21] from Allied. Tunisian headquarters, as the British Libyan army drove on behind Rommel to within about thirty miles of Tripoli. [In Washington, Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson said today: "It would seem very plain that the fall of Tripoli is only

Comity: A Hubert Humphrey Story

By Paul Rexford Thatcher Sr.

WASHINGTON — It was the Christmas holiday of 1977, and an especially bitter December in Minnesota. Hubert H. Humphrey had returned home to his refuge, his house on the now frozen Lake Waverly, west of Minneapolis. He had just made a triumphant last journey to Washington to deliver in person his farewells to the men and women with whom he had served for almost 30 years as senator, then vice president and, since 1971, again, as a member of the Senate

and its president pro tempore.

Now it was almost over, this remarkable political life, and emaciated by cancer Mr. Humphrey lay in bed dying at Lake Waverly. The grounds of his house on the lake were strewn uncustomarily with twigs and fallen branches from the leafless trees on the expansive lawn. Mr. Humphrey had been notorious for taking visitors, be they prime ministers, fellow senators or politi-cal associates, for long walks on his grounds, making them pick up scattered twigs or leaves. There had been no such recent visitors.

In the lane behind the house, the small road that led to the highway to Minneapolis, a cluster of reporters was already forming a death watch over Minnesota's most famous political son. After returning from Washing-

ton, his life and legendary energy oow ebbing from him, Minneso ta's Happy Warrior began to call old friends and associates around the nation and the world. He ostensibly called to give them season's greetings, but everyone knew be was taking his leave of them. He reached his old adversary, Richard Nixon, on Christmas Eve. only to learn that the Nixons were ill, depressed and alone for the holi-

day in San Clemente, California.

ington ceremonies by the Hum-phrey family) to relate their conver-Something troubled Mr. Humphrey deeply about this conversation. That evening, surrounded by his immediate family, he brooded often about Mr. Nixon's circumstances.

He spoke of it later in the evening, too, and it was only the next morning that his concerns seemed to diminish as be again called Mr. Nixon. He called to tell the former president — the man who in 1968 had given Mr. Humphrey his most bitter defeat — that he had a farewell gift for him. Mr. Humphrey told Mr. Nixon

that he knew he had only days to live, and that he had made the arrangements for the events that would follow his death: his lying-in-state in the Capitol in Washing-ton, his funeral and interment in Minnesota. He told Mr. Nixon that he was inviting him to attend the ceremony that would conclude the lying in state in Washington, and that he wanted him to be present and to stand in the place of honor of a former president. Mr. Nixon had resigned from

the presidency in disgrace only three years before and had not returned to Washington, where ever since he had been unwelcome. This seemed especially so now in the first year of Jimmy Carter's presidency, with Washington in the control of so many unforgiving Democrats (and probably not a few unforgiving Republicans). Sensing his profound depressi

in exile in California, Mr. Humphrey spontaneously fashioned a credible excuse enabling his old rival to return to the capital. He told him that if anyone questioned his presence, he should say that he was there at the personal request of Hubert Humphrey.

Mr. Humphrey further told Mr.

Nixon that he would call me (I had

sation and to tell me of his wish that Mr. Nixon be treated respectfully for that occasion. On Friday, Jan. 13, 1978, Hubert H. Humphrey died at Lake Waver-ly. President Jimmy Carter was im-

mediately called and notified. The

president at once dispatched Air Force One to Minnesota to bring

Mr. Humphrey's body to the capi

tal for the weekend lying-in-state. On Sanday forenoon, with President Carter, former President Gerald Ford, Vice President Walter Mondale and many of the na-tioo's political leaders in attendance, a concluding ceremony was held in the Capitol Rotunda. To the surprise of most and the gasps of many, I escorted former Presi-dent Nixoo to the place of honor with the others, near the flagdraped casket. Hobert Humphrey's gift in the winter to Richard Nixon nad been delivered.

Fifteen years later, it is not the chill Minnesota winds that cause me to remember that gift. I suspect that my memory is triggered by echoes of the voice placing that Christmas Eve telephone call to San Clemente, I hear those echoes in the pledge of President Bill Chinton to bring Americans together: to reconcile rich and poor, black and white, old and young, and to realize fully the intrinsic value of every citizen.

If he fulfills that pledge, the Clinton years in Washington will bear the hallmarks of comity and compassion that were the emblems of the life of the lamentably late Hubert Humphrey.

The writer was national treasurer of Hubert Humphrey's 1972 presidential

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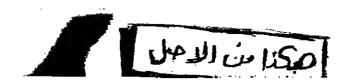
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Grading Clinton's Speech: Satisfying, but No Thrills

By William Safire

WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton's Inaugural Address has

been handed in for grading.

Strengths: 1. Theme. Simple, direct and fitting: "renewal," used eight times, backed up with "reborn," "revitaliza" and over "reinvent" He wanted talize" and even "reinvent." He wanted to get the point across of a nation born again, subtly evoking Abraham Lin-coln at Gettysburg, and the new man

Metaphor. Springtime, a season of renewal (after a winter of discontent), is a suitable trope for his chosen theme. He developed it with "a season of service" and introduced a novel slant with
"we force the spring." To "force" a
flower means to induce it to bloom

It was simple, direct and blessedly brief. Its confident delivery was a pleasure to see and hear, making a good speech seem like a very good speech. But it never soared.

before its time, as lilies are often forced at Eastertime; an offbeat and thoughtprovoking figure of speech.

The phrase "forced spring" was tak-en from notes faxed to Mr. Clinton by Father Tim Healy, the final gift of the late educator. The seasonal metaphor was reinforced by his biblical quotation, Galatians 6:9, "In this season we shall reap, if we faint not."

Clinton

(Mr. Clinton, in choosing that line from Paul's letter as the verse on which he took his oath of office, asked an aide: "Are people going to pull ont the rest of this?" You bet we are; I like and they ain't much. Which leads to the verse 5: "For every man shall hear his own burden.")

3. Hint of policy in formation. Be-tween the usual "when our vital inter-ests are challenged" and the ohligatory "we will act," a fascinating Wilsonia thought (which George Bush belatedly expounded at Annapolis) was inserted: or the will and conscience of the international community defied."

That will be cited when be acts on Serbian aggression, (Interventionists wish he had said "will or conscience,") 4. Anaphora. This repetition for rhetonical effect worked in the -al endings in: "Communications and commerce are global; investment is mobile; technology is almost magical; and ambition for a better life is universal." He used the device later with four definitions of the "idea of America."

5. Length. Blessedly brief, 14 minutes, about 5 minutes shorter than most modern inaugurals. Famous for his prolixity, Mr. Clinton proved he could edit himself, a happy augury of discipline elsewhere.

6. Historie resonance. He watered down Thomas Jefferson's relish for revolution as a taste for "dramatic change," but his peroration's "let us echoed John Kennedy's phrase, and his hopeful "call to service" echoed Woodrow Wilson's great inaugural peroration, "men's hopes call upon us." The too-brief FDR quotation - "bold, persistent experimentation" - missed the moxie in that 1932 passage: "It is common sense to take s method and try it. If it fails, admit it frankly and try another. But above

all, try something." 7. Turn of phrase. This is not Mr. Clinton's strong suit — "we must he bold" sounds timid — but "anyone who has ever watched a child's eyes wander into sleep" has an unexpected impact. 8. Delivery. His best: strong voice, confident demeanor, no finbs. Made a good speech seem very good. Weaknesses:

Veganicases.

1. Cheap shots. The old "people are working harder for less" and "We have drifted, and that drifting has eroded our resources." The campaign is over; it's his drifting now.

2. Fuzzy sacrifice. "We must invest more in our own people" (i.e., increase spending) "... and at the same time cut our massive debt" (i.e., raise taxes). But he doesn't bite that bullet, preferring only the ever-popular "it will require sacrifice "

3. Applause lines. Wilson's sobriquet was "the Phrasemaker"; it won't he Bill Clinton's. Even on a solemn occasion, an audience needs the release of a rousing line, and future multimedia historians will need 3-D sight bites. "This is our time" will have to do, or "There is nothing wrong with America that cannot be

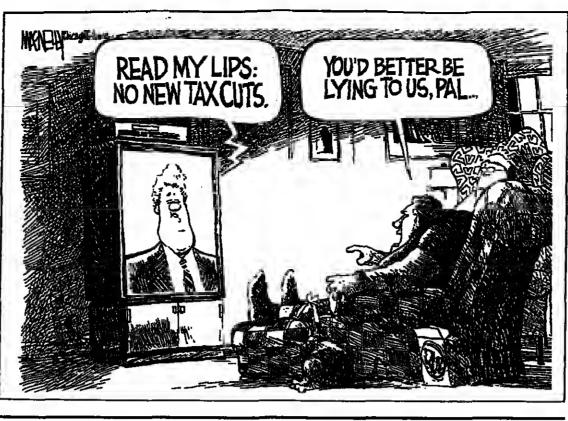
speech's greatest weakness: 4. Lift. It never soared. This need not call for the schmaltzy letters that Ronald Reagan liked to read with a catch in his voice, or even the coolly balanced "ask nots" that JFK patented; it does

need at least one passage that grips.

Mr. Clinton's address had a theme
and shape that satisfied, a length that was a relief, a delivery that was a pleasure to see and hear, but a thrust that failed to thrill. I give it a B+.

Maybe he'll have another chance. The New York Times.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Trouble With Africa

Regarding "So That Marines Need Not Land in Africa Again" (Opinion, Dec. 24) by Jimmy Carter:

Firmer President Carter seems convinced that throwing more aid Africa's way, and unconditionally canceling debt, would help eliminate the effects of war, poverty and disease on African children. He is wrong.

Africa's overwhelming problem is corruption, at all levels of society. This is initiated by willing alice who extensis

initiated by ruling elites, who systemati-cally skim off kickbacks from virtually all aspects of economic life.

The recent election in Kenya, whence I write, is black Africa's most significant poll since independence from colonial rule in the 1960s, In Kenya, once Africa's great success story, the rot began to set in during the twilight years of Jomo Kenyatta. The concept of an "imperial presidency for life" was nurtured, official corruption tolerated, and none but the ruling party allowed to operate. The former vice president. Daniel

arap Moi, took over and quickly consolidated his power base. The traditional checks and balances of genuine democracies were made subservient to the president's will. Additional aid to Kenya would soon find its way into a few fat

bank accounts elsewhere.

Both Zaire and Nigeria have greater resources for exploitation than all of Asia's "tigers" combined. Yet official corruption has brought both countries to their knees.

To benefit the poor children of all Africa, debt cancellations and aid flows should be linked to monitored adherence by African governments, over 20 years or more, to strictly accountable has upset you. I don't dare tell you how economie measures that truly take mto account the best interests of the least privileged members of society.

KARL A. ZIEGLER.

Help for the Damaged Child Regarding "A Plea for Help" (Letters, Jan. 6) from Frans Milders:

Regarding Mr. Milders's plea for help for his brain-damaged daughter who suffers from self-injurious behavior, we have a 12-year-old son who is mentally handicapped and antistic. A few years ago he was also self-destructive, hitting

his head against walls, for example. We were at the end of our rope. Today, although our son says only a few words, he is generally sweet and co-operative. We believe the reason for the turnaround is the fact that we managed to teach him athletic activities that he loves:

taking long walks, swimming, skiing. He also loves to bicycle, and will ride up to 50 kilometers (30 miles) at a time. We started him on a special bike, consisting of two bicycles bolted side-by-side. Family activities can help: going to a restaurant or just sitting by the fireside

and reading to each other. And it helps to discover what the child really likes, he in a special food, a soft toy animal, a bubble bath or music. Use this pleasure as a reward each time she is about to be self-destructive. Then hug her and tell her how proud you are that this time she didn't hurt herself. When this doesn't work, try to ignore the self-de-structive behavior. This is the hard part - you'll want to scream - but somehow

don't let her know how much her action

many times you will have to survive this routine; just do it a day at a time. JEAN-PIERRE, ALETHA EGGER. Neochātel, Switzerland.

In Praise of Lala Land

Regarding "L. A. Tourists Come Away With Visions of ... Beirut" (Jan. 12):

True, there was serious rioting and there are pockets of destruction in Los Angeles, and Hollywood is rather seedy and the downtown somewhat depressing. But simply to quote a Minnesota travel agent as saying that Los Angeles is an expensive, crime-ridden city is bizarre.

Let me suggest that visitors can have a wonderful time in the Los Angeles area visiting Chinatown, Little Tokyo, the Music Center, the Museum of Contemporary Art, Exposition Park and the museums therein, the kinky and inter-esting stretch of Melrose Avenue and nearby La Brea Avenue, the remarkable Rodeo Drive and the vicinity in nearby Beverly Hills, the wonderful Third Street promenade in Santa Monica, and Main Street to the south of it, the fabulous Hollywood Bowl, Greek Theater, Universal Amphitheater, fascinating Venice Beach and many other traditional tourist sites. One could go to a differ-ent ethnic restaurant every night without needing to rob a bank to do so.

L.A. has had its crises, and still does,

but it is a fascinating, dynamic multicultural center that has greatly matured. If it can come to grips with its ethnic tensions, it will truly be, as it has been called, America's first 21st century city.

ELLIOTT R. BARKAN. Dragvoll, Norway.

My Father: Life and Death In George Bush's Shadow

By Keith Fitzgerald

lists my father's name, Arthur Fitzgerald, first. Next comes that of George Bush,

then those of the remaining players.
My dad died of esophageal cancer just
three weeks before Mr. Bush was voted out of office. In the days leading up to the funeral, I went through the Yale sports archives and put together a pack-et of documents highlighting his colle-giate sports career. On Nov. 3, 1945, in

MEANWHILE

his first appearance with the football team, he scored the only touchdown, to beat Dartmouth, 6-0. He scored three touchdowns against Harvard. On the basketball team, he was a star guard. During his last two seasons on the Bulldog baseball squad, he had a .325 average. My father captained the Bulldogs in 1949, as George Bush had the previous year. But it was Fitzie, not Poppy, who got a full-page tribute in the New Haven Register when he graduated.

One of the greatest athletes in Yale history, my father could not have had a more promising future. But he died in relative obscurity at a hospice only a few miles from his fields of glory.

At his wake, I put 50 copies of those packets next to the book where guests sign in. The last item I included was a copy of the roster from that 1948 game. In this dying time, George Bush (whom I have always disliked) has been useful to me and my family. Several of us got a lift seeing our loved one's name over that of the chief executive, for the ascent of G. H. W. Bush had been a stark contrast to my father's fate. Mr. Bush, like all the men my mom, my brother and I saw at those dreadful class reunions, did tremendously better than the Willy Loman figure I called Dad. Art Fitzgerald was a good, gentle man, but by his generation's standards, he did not fare well after Yale.

If only he had not gotten kicked in the head during a high school football game. If only the disease caused by that injury hadn't surfaced a decade later when he was a high school history teacher and football coach. If only he hadn't hlacked out during a conference with a student and gotten fired on the spot. Of course it would have made things

easier if he had been born into wealth and privilege, but that firing left him a broken man; that boot to the brain had knocked something out of my dad. So it was that his siblings, his wife and his sons could savor a moment frozen in the past: Art Fitzgerald, No. 1, top of the pyramid. George Bush, second. When I flew back East for the funeral,

one of the first things I did was call the White House. I wanted the president to know of his teammate's death and to

write a letter to my mom.

1 knew that George Bush would be of service. This is a guy who leaves no note

LOS ANGELES — The roster for the unwritten. In his message to my morn, he 1948 Yale-Harvard baseball game crossed out the typed "Mrs. Fitzgerald" and wrote over it "Rosemary." Dated Oct. 15, the letter reads: "Barbara and I were saddened to learn of your loss. Arthur was a fine man and a good athlete at Yale, where he was respected for his leadership on the baseball team ... " At the bottom of the note, he added, again with his black felt-tip pen, "I loved the

gry!" Signed "George."

1 had always heard that he was a decent person behind the campaignmade persona. Still, I haven't been able to forgive him for making Willie Horton an issue, for his shameless campaigning in the flag factory, or for his sanctimonious "trust" and "character" flimflam. A New Republic piece last August, "The Speech Thing," discussed the president's aphasia, and suggested that he

might lose the election because of his inability to use language gracefully. Americans wanted a leader like Jack Kennedy whose eyes, words and voice could inspire us. Mr. Bush was grating. But, late in the campaign, as his loss to the eloquent Arkansan began seeming mevitable, I began to feel uneasy about taking such pleasure in his ineptitude. In his emharrassing vagueness and his fraz-

zled manner when under pressure to he persuasive, I saw my dad. Thirty years of anti-convulsives, a brilliant sports career demolished - and I resented the fact that my father was not mellifluous.

I am trying to account for how these two men, one the emblem of professional advancement, the other an unspeakably sad victim of blasted opportunities, could have been so similar m their mannerisms. Their feebleness. Something in the way men of their generation were raised made them, in the eyes of my generation, unknowable.

My father and his Yale teammate were uptight males and they never spoke to my soul. Their time has passed, It seems to me that it is very good for America that we have, in Bill Clinton and Al Gore, leaders who are at ease revealing the sorrows and terrors that have shaped them. Speaking as they have is a good thing to do; it heals.

But there is this, too, to consider, something that I did not realize until my dad was two months dead: The best expression of his love for me was to keep silent about his agony. I never knew bow he felt about living or dying. If I say I resent this, what will it avail?

Now that George Bush has left the stage, I am ready, finally, to extend my regards. I owe him a thank you. We both lost a lot in the fall of 1992, and now I am able to see him in a place outside the pale of political antipathy. He, too, is a man who suffers, though his words may never say so.

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ASIAN TOPICS

Singapore Officials

Lend Cupid a Hand The Singapore government's matchmaking program appears to be working.

Eight years after the Social De-

velopment Unit first organized dances, harbecues, grooming classes, group travel, computer courses and other get-together activities for bright, unmarried civil servants, officials say they are cheered by the matrimonial sta-

TOKYO — Toshio Nakayama, a

state minister who is head of the

National Defense Agency, said

Thursday that Japan should study

the possibility of sending troops to

join future UN peacekeeping mili-

be faced, now that Japan's armed forces were gaming "valuable experience in Cambodia," their first

overseas deployment since the end of World War II.

added fuel to the debate on wheth-

er to amend the constitution to al-

low the armed forces a freer hand.

Mr. Nakayama's remarks, made

at an air base northeast of Tokyo, sare in Japan to seek recognition

He said the question needed to

tary operations.

Only 704 pairs of college grad-uates got married in 1984. The matchmaking effort has been ex-figure grew to 1,643 in 1991. | tended to high school graduates | through the thickly populated

Back in 1983, concerned that too many educated women were remaining single and childless, Singapore switched from one of the world's most effective birthcontrol programs, which encouraged families to have no more than two children each, to appeals for "three - more, if you can afford it."

Part of the problem was that male college graduates preferred women less educated than they and women graduates wanted to marry upward, if at all. Now, more than half of male

graduates college degrees marry fellow graduates. Because of the declining birth

about such a constitutional revi-

sion and this mouth approved a

proposal for a committee to draft

the changes.

Economically powerful, Japan has come under criticism for failing to share the burden of international

security, beyond what former Secretary of State James A. Baker 3d

called Japan's check-writing diplo-

as a full international player, with

a permanent seat on the UN Secu-

nity Council, and with the atten-

At the same time, there is pres-

and school dropouts. "I remember," said Dennis Teo, 30, who joined five years

ago, "when it started, people used to make jokes about SDU being for the single, desperate and ugly.
But now people say it is for the single, desirable and anattached."

tance of such men as Prime Minis-

ter Kiichi Miyazawa to endorse a

break with Japan's postwar policy

Last June, the Liberal Demo-

crats pushed through a law allow-

ing Japanese troops to join non-

combat UN peacekeeping

operations in Cambodia, although the constitution bans the use of

force in settling international dis-

Japanese troops in Cambodia

are under orders to avoid combat and to use their weapons only in

Around Asia

Japan Defense Chief Presses Troop Issue

Leaders of the governing Liberal dant military responsibilities.

Democratic Party, breaking a long taboo, have begun to speak openly the reduction has been slow and taboo, have begun to speak openly the reduction has been slow and taboo, have begun to speak openly the reduction of the speak open to speak open.

of pacifism.

Social workers and former indentwee child laborers will cmbark on a "long march" through India's heartland next month to call attention to the plight of the country's 55 million children sold by their parents into bouded ser-vitude. The 1,500-kilometer (930Ganges plain in Uttar Pradesh before reaching New Delhi Feb. 15.

Few of Seoul's 10 million people contested a World Health Organization report last month that placed the South Korean capital second only to Mexico City as the world's most polinted city. To help lessen the smog, a vigorous but so far voluntary campaign to idle cars one day in every 10 is on. Cars having license plates ending with the numeral 2, for example, are supposed to be off the streets on the 2d, 12th and 22d of each month.

Arthur Highee

abe, who favors constitutional revi

sion, said Thursday he wanted to

see Japanese forces equipped with

more long-range transport aircraft to respond to future UN requests

"It is not as if Japan will be

sending tanks and bombers over-

seas," he told a forum of reporters

essayists and columnists, noting

fears had been expressed by neigh boring nations about a revival of

He added, "there are some coun

tries that do not want to see Janas

acquire a stronger voice in political

affairs" while it remains so strong

for materials and personnel.

VIEW PORN

The Commerzbank report on German business and finance

The Single European Market: A major step towards integration

On January 1, the Single European Market was officially launched, creating new opportunities for businesses and consumers throughout the EC. Many of the benefits of market integration, however, will also be enjoyed by most Efta countries, once the European Economic Area becomes reality. A crucial element in ensuring pro-

gress towards a barrier-free market has been the timetable adopted for the project, whose momentum has spurred investment in the run-up to the Single Market and will continue to do so in the years ahead. While integration has been gradual and is not yet complete, the fact that most border controls have been eliminated inside the EC is indicative of what has been achieved so far. Transitional arrangements and deadlines have been agreed in a number of areas, such as taxation and insurance. And about 25% of the almost 300 individual EC directives still have to be translated into national legislation.

Removing the barriers

Although the EC has been a customs union since 1968, certain institutional and technical barriers have remained. The Single Market project introduced a new principle of integration: as much harmonization of standards as necessary. as much mutual recognition as possible. This accords well with the newly espoused principle of subsidiarity, or decision-making at the lowest appropriate level, although it should not be allowed to undermine the dynamics of the Single Market. Obvious cases for EC-wide legislation

are competition and environmental protection rules. Most restrictions on intraThe Single Market will provide Europe's economies with a lasting supply-side stimulus."

EC capital movements have now been lifted. And in view of the increasing volume of cross-border investment within the EC as 1993 approached, the double taxation of affiliated companies was abolished, while European merger controls were tightened.

Now customs checks inside the EC are to be eliminated. For the time being, however, paperwork will hardly be reduced, since - up to 1996 at least - value-added tax on goods exported within the EC will still be levied in the country of destination rather than in the country of origin. In the EC's external

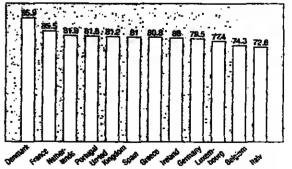
trade policy, quotas for certain products will have to apply throughout the Community. The liberali-

zation of rules on cabotage in road transport has been delayed by disputes on tax issues. In principle, banks are now free to

offer their services anywhere within the EC. And since 1989, the Council's directives have ensured adherence to minimum capital adequacy and solvency standards. However, banks from EC countries that have been slow to incorporate these rules into national legislation will still have to submit to an additional licensing procedure before they can set up shop elsewhere in the Community.

In the area of public procurement as well, which accounts for 15% of the EC's combined GNP comprehensive deregulation is being held up by the failure of some member countries to translate EC directives into national law. Last but not least, labor mobility, especially as regards professional people, will be improved significantly by mutual recognition of qualifications.

The progress made towards implementation Percentage share of EC directives incorporated into national legislat as of December 8,1992



Although much has been achieved within a relatively short space of time. some key issues have yet to be resolved and several practical questions must be tackled. All the same, "1993" is a major step forward at a time when Europe's economies clearly need a supply-side stimulus. Indeed, the recent focus on Maastricht and EMU should not be allowed to obscure the fact that the Single Market project will have a much greater impact on European growth than monetary union would have.

German know-how in global finance

said it would reject the amendments, despite earlier indications of support for them by six of the nine COMMERZBANK

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Green Dates: Some Germans Are Seeing Red

FRANKFURT — A calen-dar distributed to Frankfurt schoolchildren by the left-leaning Greens Party has ig-nited a dispute at the city hall by excluding some U.S. holi-days and listing numerous Iranian political milestones.

Ignoring the U.S. holidays such as Independence and Thanksgiving days, the calendar lists such dates as the anniversary of Recognition for the Islamic Republic on April 1 and the Revolt Against the Shah on June 5.

See September 1988

The calendar noting foreign holidays was requested by teachers in Frankfurt, where about a third of the population is foreign born, including many who have fled from political persecution in their home countries, like Iran.

Sultan Challenges Malaysia Leader

extreme cases of self-defense.

KUALA LUMPUR - The confrontation over a plan to rein in Malaysia's powerful hereditary rulers deepened Thursday after a report that a sultan had ordered his officials to boycott federal and state government functions. Sultan Mahmood Iskandar Ismail, 60, of the south-

shun functions attended by the state chief minister, Muhyiddin Yassin, the report said. Analysts said the sultan's order was a direct chal-

lenge to Prime Minister Mahathir bin Mohamad's administration and signaled the beginning of what would probably be a long and bitter battle between the government and the palace. Amid the furor, the opposition leader Lim Kit Siang

called for a cooling-off period to allow for a settlement to "the gravest constitutional crisis in Malaysian The nature of the dispute is seen in the positions that the civil servants as well as the chief minister find

themselves in. Civil servants are technically under the command of the chief minister, but a royal order must traditionally be respected. The chief minister himself is appointed by the sultan, but on the advice of the prime minister. Sultan Mahmood, whose alleged beating of a hockey coach inspired the government to propose constitutional amendments to strip Malaysia's nine sultans and rajas of their immunity from prosecution, also discontinued

directed the officials to explain his position to the

Japan's militarism.

Following the alleged assault on the hockey coach, Sultan Mahmood was also accused of involvement in a number of other criminal cases, one of which resulted in the death of a golf caddy.

The royal decree, issued in the state capital Johore Sultan Manmood issands in his state to Bahru late Tuesday but known widely here only after emistate of Johore, ordered civil servants in his state to Bahru late Tuesday but known widely here only after appearing in the New Straits Times newspaper on Thursday, was made before a cabinet decision to strip rulers of all perks and privileges not provided for in the constitution.

Parliament passed the amendments on Wednesday. but legal experts said they could not become law without approval by a conclave of the nine sultans and In an apparent about-face Monday, the conclave

That prompted Mr. Mahathir to rule out possible enegotiations.

Mr. Mahathir said Wednesday that the cabinet had

directed federal and state civil servants to ignore all

palace functions held by the hereditary rulers as well

as orders from them. The rulers preside over nine of Malaysia's 13 states. He also said his weekly briefings to the king — a post that revolves among the sultans — would be By Clyde Haberman New York Times Service

JERUSALEM - By making it now licit for individual Israelis to have contact with groups officially branded here as terrorist, the Israeli parliament may have hastened the day when the government will enter into direct peace negotiations with the Palestine Liberation Or-

ganization. Not that long ago, the very idea would have seemed outlandish. But in fact, in all but name, those discussions are already under way in the Middle East peace talks, which, while alive, are hardly well these days.

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of his own Labor Party. He does suggest that there are some in the PLO with whom he might he ready to talk, although they certainly do not include the group's leader. Yasser Arafat. But dropping that final veil to expose existing realities is more than Mr. Rabin can bring himself to do.

A spokesman insisted that nothing had an extra veil fall from the underlying reality changed in government policy despite parliathat the delegates consult with the PLO, get ment's vote on Tuesday night to repeal a seventheir strategy approved by the PLO, and, in the year-old law that had made it a crime for any changed in government policy despite parlia-

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But others argue that the genie is out of the bottle. "Undoing the leash," said Justice Minis-ter David Libai, a leading advocate of the legal

change, "signals something in the political

Joseph Alpher, deputy head of the Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies at Tel Aviv University, made the point more boldly.

"We are wimessing a process that history will show as leading to almost an inevitable dia-

logue between Israel and the PLO," he said. And Hemi Shalev, diplomatic correspondent for the newspaper Davar, was blunter still.

"There will be tens and perhaps hundreds of meetings in Europe and North America," he

wrote on Wednesday. "The contacts with the Palestinians will never be what they were, and the peace negotiations will undergo a powerful jolt. Mass meetings between Israeli figures and the PLO will accelerate the process of the PLO

Although leftists in the Labor-led govern-ment were jubilant after parliament voted, 39 to 20, to repeal the law banning such contacts, Mr.

may interpret the action as a signal from Israel

Anong his concerns is that the United States

that it is all right to re-establish direct dealings with the PLO that were suspended in 1990 after a foiled terrorist attack on an Israeli beach. Indeed, Yasser Abed Rabbo, a senior PLO official, said in Paris that the time had come "to

open this dialogue. If nothing else, the Israeli action underlines

Christopher May Go To Israel on Deportees

JERUSALEM - Israel said Thursday that President Bill Clinton might send his secre-tary of state to the Middle East to try to solve the crisis over more than 400 Palestinians

expelled to Lebanon. The deportees ended a fifth week in an icy tent camp. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin resisted UN pressure to take them back and Israel's High Court put off ruling at least until Monday on the legality of the expul-

Deputy Foreign Minister Yossi Beilin said it was "more than a rumor" that Mr. Clinton would dispatch Warren M. Christopher to the region to grapple with the affair.

the strides that the PLO has made in its popular image since 1986, when the old law was written and when the group was committed to terror-ism that it has since publicly renounced.

Even though much of the violence in the occupied territories is still committed by members and supporters of the PLO, it has been surpassed as the No. 1 bogeyman for Israelis by the militant Islamic movement known as Hamas, the main target in Israel's deportation of more than 415 Palestinians to Lebanon last month. The PLO looks good "by default," says.
Alpher, a former official in the Mossad secret.

"If you believe that we have to have talks hetween Israelis and Palestinians, then you're left with the PLO," he said.

The same point is made by cabinet ministers. from the Meretz bloc and from the Labor Party left, who urge Mr. Rabin to accompany the anti-Hamas deportations with friendly gestures toward Tunis.

On Thursday, Abie Nathan, the country's best-known peace campaigner, twice-jailed for his PLO contacts, became the first Israeli to take advantage of the altered situation by meeting in Tunis with Yasser Arafat. Mr. Nathan said he planned to organize a large meeting between Israelis and PLO leaders in Cairo in a few weeks' time.

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Louis XVI Reigns Once Again, for a Day, in Paris Ceremony

By Alan Riding

New York Times Service PARIS — With the French tricolor flying at full mast as if to signal the republic's official indifference to the occasion, some 5,000 royalists gathered in the Place de la Concorde on Thursday to commemorate the exact moment 200 years ago when King Louis XVI lost his head.

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In reality, though, the government was far from indifferent. Having organized sumptuous celebrations on July 14, 1989, to mark the bicentenary of the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that could call the storming of the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that could call the storming of the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that could call the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that could call the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that could call the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that could call the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that could call the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that could call the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that could call the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that could call the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that could call the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that call the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that call the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that call the storming of the Bastille, it at first tried to ban a meeting that the storming that call the storming that the s meeting that could only remind people of the Reign of Terror that followed the Revolution.

With heavily armed riot police very much in evidence, a small band of ardent republicans organized a counterdemonstration on the other side of the vast square, trying to compete for attention by singing the "Marseillaise" and displaying a pig's head decorated

with a paper crown.
Yet, in the end, France's small royalist movement won the day. With Cherubini's Requiem for Louis XVI blasting from loudspeakers, men and women carrying white flowers and banners with the royal fleur-de-lys crowded around the spot where the guillotine was positioned before dawn on Jan. 21, 1793. The crucial moment — 10.22 A.M. — was marked

ing of the king's final testament - in which he foreave those who had done him wrong - as well as prayers, hundreds of people left bunches of lillies, tulips and carnations in homage.

Memorial masses have been organized around France for the weekend. And While the archbishop of Paris, Cardinal Jean-Marie Lustiger, said the Cathedral of Notre-Dame could not be used for "partisan

in a country where schoolchildren are still taught that Louis XVI personified an oppressive regime swept away by the glorious Revolution, the anniversary has prompted a nationwide debate over wbether the king should have been executed.

Recent polls have suggested views are now divided.

One poll published by Paris-Match said that, while a

narrow majority felt the monarchy played a oceative role in French history, 42 percent of those questioned opposed Louis XVI's decapitation, 34 percent were in favor and 24 percent gave no opinion.

Cover stories in magazines and lengthy articles in newspapers have also taken a fresh look at his person-ality, concluding in some cases that, rather then being weak and degenerate, as he has usually been por-

by one minute's silent meditation. Then, after a read-trayed, Louis XVI was in fact a cultured and sensitive man who even gave women the vote.

Perhaps the most unusual reminder that Louis was not all bad, however, came when the outgoing American ambassador to Paris, Walter J. P. Curley Jr., himself the author of a book called. "Monarchy in Waiting," laid a wreath in the Place de la Concorde to the enthusiastic applause of the crowd.

"I was there because Louis was very instrumental in our independence." he explained. "He aided us a great deal and we appreciate that."

One royalist onlooker. Renaud De Evignon, went further. "The main reason the Revolution took place was that Louis's treasury was empty after all the help he gave to American independence," he said. "That's why it's proper for the United States to make a

Many of those who showed up had more than the past in mind. "More and more f think that the monarchy is the answer for France," said an elderly woman as she prepared to leave a wreath of white lillies. "I believe that because I love my country."

Surprisingly, there were also many young people in the crowd, including members of both the monarchist Action Française movement and the extreme rightist National Front. "With the failure of democracy, the be much better," said a 20-year-old student.

A couple of dozen young royalists were later arrested when they occupied the Pantheon, where the remains of many heroes lie, and hung a banner from the roof that read: "Long Live the King! Down with the

Notably absent were members of the Bourbon and Orleans branches of the royal family, which support posed map. rival pretenders to the throne. But each group attended memorial masses to the memory of Louis XVI, while their supporters used the anniversary to argue over the validity of the competing claims.

The fact that the monarchy was restored to France just 22 years after Louis XVI's execution might perhaps give the royalists some reason for optimism. But the Paris-Match poll said 80 percent of those surveyed believed the monarch was a thing of the past, with only 13 percent saying it had a future and 7 percent offering no opinion.

The pretenders - the Count of Paris of the Orleans branch and Louis-Alphonse of Bourbon, Duke of Anjou - can nonetheless feel reassured by a single official commentary. "I have always been opposed to the death penalty. Prime Minister Pierre Beregovoy said. But be also wondered, Would that have been my

BOSNIA: An Uphill Struggle

(Continued from page 1) government but would leave Bos-

nia-Herzegovina as a single state. Mr. Eckhard said that Mr. Karadzic would be asked for a "one-

word answer" - yes or no. So far the Bosnian Croats are the only ones to have accepted the pro-

The third part of the peace package is a plan to end military hostil-ities, including the removal of heavy weapons and progressive demilitarization. That is expected to be discussed later.

"Even if and after the three-part package is signed, I would expect difficulties with implementation starting with the military with-drawals," Mr. Eckhard said.

Mr. Karadzic, meanwhile, said that the proposed political map would have to be accepted in a referendum by Bosnian Serbs,

"The Serb side is ready for an immediate cease-fire including Sarajevo," he said after the Serbian emhly approved the plan. But he said that his self-declared Serbian republic would continue to exist until the Serbian people decide

tactic to allow them to consolidate

their military grip. in an interview with the BBC, Lord Owen said, "When we come to the conference, Dr. Karadzic will have to make it quite clear that

this is an unconditional commitment to accept the nine principles." In Bosnia, meanwhile, Muslimled government forces claimed to have made significant advances in battles with Serbs in the east on

Thursday. Sarajevo radio said government troops had pushed their front line forward by as much as six kilometers (four miles) in places, after fierce lighting around Srebrenica,

close to the border with Serbia. For many involved in the multinational peace process, the Bosnian Serbian vote was the easy part. But for the Serbs, broadly condemned as the priocipal aggressors, it marked a major concession to the

"The Serbs have chosen a different approach," a source close to the Bosman leadership said. "Faced with international ostracism, lack of sympathy, stifling sancoons and an unbeatable enemy in the West, they decided to try something they bave never thed before: political

The call for a referendum among Serbs could be used as a stalling

Poll Backs the Use of Force

WASHINGTON - A solid majority of Americans favors U.S. military intervention to remove Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq. and large numbers are also willing to support some uses of armed force in Bosnia, a Los Angeles Times Poll has found.

The results appear to give President Bill Clinton a relatively free hand to use U.S. air and naval power wherever he thinks necessary, and seem to refute the view that Americans have turned deeply

When asked whether they would back an all-out effort in Iraq to topple Mr. Saddam, even "at the risk of losing some American lives," 60 percent of those questioned said yes, and only 30 percent said no. fn the case of Bosnia, the poll found that 58 percent favored the use of U.S. military force to deliver bumanitarian aid and stop atrocities against civilians.

Asked about the use of U.S. air power to strike at Serb forces, 49 percent said that they would favor that kind of intervention, with 34 percent opposed and 17 percent uncertain. Asked about the use of U.S. ground troops to fight the Serbs, 37 percent were in favor, 47 percent opposed and 16 percent uncertain.

SPILL: Oil Tanker Afire in Asia (Continued from page 1) time Council, a Malaysian governland. Environmentalists said that a large-scale oil spill from the ship

could cause widespread damage to the fishing and tourist industries in Malaysia and Indonesia. "It is very likely this will be an

environmental disaster with the costs of the damage and elean-up possibly running into tens of mil-lions of dollars," said Martin Khor Kok Peng, research director of the Consumers' Association of Penang. an environmental lobby group in Malaysia.

The world's biggest maritime oil spill was of about 2.2 million barrels, after two supertankers collided off Tobago in the Caribbean in

The Maersk Navigator, owned hy A.P. Moller of Dearmark, was carrying oil from Oman to Japan when it collided with another tanker, the 96,545 ton Sanko Honour early Thursday.

A Moller spokesman said the tanker caught fire after the colli-sioo and was continuing to burn. Some oil has spilled into the sea and is on fire," he said, although no

information was available on the extent of the pollution. Teh Koog Leong, director of Singapore's Marine Department, said the ship was damaged in the

midsection of its port side. He said the British captain and 23 Asian crew members of the Maersk Navigator were rescued by a passing German container vessel. the DSR Atlantic.

A fire that broke out oo the Sanko Honour had been extinguished, and no assistance was re-

ment agency, about 200 large merchant ships and 1,800 smaller vessels, including fishing trawlers, use the strait each day.

In recent months, there have been a series of accidents in the strait, and the latest collision is likely to strengthen plans by the Malaysian and Indonesian governments to introduce tolls on international shipping using the waterway to finance improved safety mea-

Malaysia is to convene a meeting oext month of officials and experts from the three littoral states to draw up recommendations for bet-

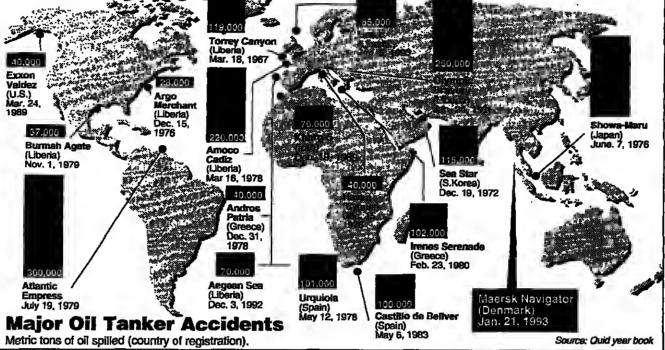
This is to be followed by an international conference at ministerial level in June, probably in Kuala

Indonesian officials have proposed introduction of special shipping lanes or compulsory piloting for all vessels passing through the

Mochtar Kusumaatmadja, an international law expert and former foreign minister of Indonesia, said recently that to prevent an oil pollution disaster in the congested and relatively shallow strait, laden supertankers should take a longer route from the Gulf to Japan by using the Sunda Strait, or the Lombok and Makassar Straits, which offer a safe deep-water channel through the Indonesian archipela-

Shipowners have been reluctant to comply with these proposal be-cause they will add to shipping

According to the National Mari- ensure that full liability is paid for ported that Japanese oil company, the World Wide Fund for Nature. think the new president was untest- tion-will have in that area."



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Mr. Teh said that his department had asked owners of both tankers, which are registered in Singapore, to bring crew members to Singapore for questioning. "Key crew members will oot be allowed to sign off the ships," he said.
But analysts said that proving

ultimate liability and getting financial compensation for damages might be difficult and could lead to protracted litigation.

Although the Maersk Navigator Singapore appears determined to is owned by Moller, Reuters re-

Idemitsu Kosan Co. had chartered the tanker but leased space to General Sekiyu Co., an affiliate of Ex-

Shetland Verdict Still Out month's oil tanker spill in the Shet-land Islands has faded, but a scientist said Thursday that the extent of the environmental damage re-

Press reported from London. "I think it's far too early to say yet whether this is a disaster," said Sian Pullen, a marine biologist for

IRAQ: New President, Old Policy as U.S. Continues a Hard Line on Raids

Shetland Verdict Still Out (Continued from page 1)

The visual evidence of this weeks by an Iraqi ban on flights, signaled an end to one of the issues that belped trigger four days of U.S.-led air and missile strikes, mained unclear, The Associated

On Wednesday, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Colin L. Powell, had warned that the U.S. armed forces would respood if provoked in Iraq. Asked whether any foreign leader should

ed, General Powell responded, "1 think they would be very much mistaken,"

Mr. Christopher, speaking with reporters, said, "The Iraqis know perfectly well what it takes to comply with the UN resolutions and the establishment of the no-fly zones and I think what happened today is a reflection of the determioation that the Clintoo administra-

In the incident Thursday, a U.S. were out of range of the (ire," the Air Force F-4G and an F-16 were statement said. But after the aircraft were locked flying a routine mission in the oorthern oo-flight zone, escorting a

French Mirage plane conducting photo reconnaissance, the statement said. The two U.S. jets ooticed flashes of anti-artillery fire in their direc-

tion, but did oot respond to the

on by the radar - a potentially hostile action - the F-4G fired a missile at the radar and the F-16 dropped two cluster bombs on the site, about 10 miles (16 kilometers) south of the town of Mosul. The U.S. jets completed their mission "without (urther incident," the provocation "because the aircraft statement said.



Finding Old Penang: A Voyage Back, in the Nick of Time

By Andrew Ranard

EORGE TOWN, Malaysia — I had been savoring the thought of this trip back to Penang for years, but as I unloaded onto the dock, I was smitten by doubt. Three decades had passed since I had lived here as a boy. What if my memories of this tranquil island off the west coast of Malaysia were about to be obliterated by a nasty encounter with reality?

In family lore, our time in Penang had become an incorporeal ana of fact and fiction. What a gracious sense of style was Penang back in the late '50s! For my father, the American consul, it was the proverbial — and literal — "island in the sun." In old snapshots. he stands, pipe in mouth, wearing a white polo shirt and baggy British shorts, in front of the pillars of the old colonial mansion where we lived. My mother, with a lustrous tan and a elding her eyes, is whiling away yet another afternoon at the Penang Swimming Club. Or perhaps she's caught midswing with a tennis racket in hand, betraying once again her bad sporting form.

Penang in 1957: The Communist "emergency" in Malaya was in its death rattles, and the rancor of Vietnam, which spoiled American relations in Southeast Asia, bad not begun. Might it be better to leave memory, like the patina on antiques, alone?

What was remarkable about Penang was that so little had changed. The Eastern and

Oriental Hotel - E&O; for short - built by those legendary turn-of-the-century Armenians, the Sarkies brothers, was still there, as grand and dotty as it had been on those Saturday mornings when my father had taken me there for a haircut and a ginger beer. How fortunate that so few tourists had discovered it, that it had escaped, somehow, both the demolition ball and grand renovation schemes that had transformed other museum pieces in Asia - the Raffles in Singapore and the Peninsula in Hong Kong — into pop-icons of colonial history. Would our old house be there on Pangkor Road, that promenade lined with towering trees as unper-turbed by the automobile as a scene in an Impressionist painting? The house was gone, but the trees and other residences on the street, like the dozing rear guards of history, were still there. Our residence, I discovered, had experienced a conversion. When the American Consulate closed down in 1963, the bouse had been sold to a Buddhist association. The association had found its generous spaces agreeable and had been forced to raze and reconstruct only in 1989, when white ants bad eaten away at its organs.

When you travel back in time chasing memories, how often do you find that everything is so much smaller and mundane? But in Penang, everything was larger and grander than the recollection. Penang still owned its soul and history. In the city, George Town, the old Peranakan (Chinese-Malay) shophouse architecture and English-Indian porti-

chip, this architecture seemed an anomaly. Penang's idle roads, the greens and tennis lawns of the once exclusive clubs had survived. There had been changes of course; British, the clubs were now open to the pub-lic, with memberships largely made up of Chinese professionals

But it was Penang Hill that offered the epiphany. Like the Cameron Highlands on the Malay Peninsula, Penang Hill had been a retreat for British civil servants in the old days. In the center of the island, it rises 830 meters (2,720 feet) above sea level and is caressed by "therapeutic" winds off the Strait

HE hill is covered with jungle and netted with hiking trails, with a quaint funicular, built by the British using Indian convict labor, that crawls like a sing to the top. It was there, near the summit, where my brothers and I had gone to boarding school with the children of British planters.

Uplands, the school, was much in the old British tradition. We had our absentminded headmaster, teachers who were involved in salacious scandais, who force-fed us our daily regimen of French and Latin conjugations and abstruse translations of Caesar. The dreaded

"three of the best"—of the cane—hung over us like the gallows for misbehaving. "They had a plan to develop the hill," my cab driver informed me on my way to the funicular. They were going to build some

botels and an amusement park at the top. But luckily it was stopped. There were protests."

I had arrived in the nick of time.

At the summit, a guide took me over an old trail to the school. It was shuttered and abandoned, and the weeds and vines had snaked in. But what a marvelous building the old assem-bly hall and cafeteria was, with its great stone steps leading up to a veranda with a panoramic

steps leading up to a veranda with a panoramic view of George Town and the harbor below. Uplands, I realized, would make an ideal setting for a hotel.

What a recognition! Later, at the E&O, I picked up a history of Penang and discovered that in the 50 years before World War II, before Uplands had become a school, it had been a hotel the Crae But worse actorishing. been a hotel, the Crag. But more astonishing was that the Sarkies brothers had owned it. Hotel buffs in Southeast Asia are forever reminding you of the Sarkies' ownership of the magical triad: the Raffles in Singapore, the Strand in Rangoon, and the E&O in Penang. Couldn't the Sarkies have owned another enterprise? I often wondered. And here it was, a hidden link in their trail the school I had attended as a boy. According to local litera-ture, Herman Hesse had trudged up the hill and had a drink at the Crag on one of his Siddharthan journeys through the East.

"I am somewhere in the middle," said Lim Chien Aun, sitting across from me in his George Town real estate office, in the same building where his grandfather and father, both doctors, once had their clinics. His father, Dr. Lim Chong Eu, was a friend of my father's in the '50s before he served as chief minister of Penang for 20-odd years. The father — Straits Chinese, British-educated, and a political visionary who pushed development in Penang is often compared locally to former Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew of Singapore. The son like his father, is involved in politics: He is a state assemblyman.

By being in the "middle," Lim means that he is drawn in both directions in the dilemma that is not only Penang's but all of Southeast Asia's these days. As Asia careers into the 21st century, its boom threatens to transform its cultures and physical environment beyond recognition.

"The dilemma," as Lim puts it, "is between modernization and conservation." Where is the balance between these options?

Lim agrees that Penang has not changed a great deal in 30 years, but then expounds on the island's development, all projects his father inspired. There is the Batu Ferringhi area of tourist hotels on the north side of the island, the 85-story Komtar office-shopping complex with its Buckminster Fuller dome, and the 13.5-kilometer Penang Bridge, which since 1985 has connected the island to the mainland. But more important as a source of wealth, and hidden from tourists' eyes, are the high-tech factories owned by Hewlett Packard, Sony, Toshiba, Motorola, Hitachi, Intel, many with names I did not recognize, and others owned by Malaysian concerns.
The Silicon Valley of Malaysia, I say.

"Yes, the so-called Silicon Valley," Lim

concedes. 'Yes, now they are building the factories

near Kuala Lumpur.

Are people happy about this?

"Of course, it brings jobs."

And the current issue is the international airport on the mainland side?

Yes, the airport.

Lim and I spend an afternoon in conversation in that manner possible in societies where people have the luxury of time. The conversation follows its own tasks and turns over the history, beliefs, heritage of families, religions and architecture of the people of Penang and Malaysia, and beyond that Burness Indonesia Limeas the months of the people of Penang and Malaysia, and beyond that Burness Indonesia Limeas the months of the people of the people of Penang and Malaysia. ma, Singapore, Indonesia. Lim sees the "region" as immensely diverse, yet historically integrated. Later, we talk about the "Northern Triangle," a plan for growth that includes North Sumatra, Southern Thailand and Penang State.

In the presence of Lim, in Penang I feel as if I have stumbled upon a small Athens in Asia. Here there is a sense of an older, more civilized and ruminative world. And so far Penang has managed it - to have its cake and eat it too.

It is I, nervously checking the hour like a businessman late for an appointment, who breaks off the conversation at dusk.

Andrew Ranard writes about Japan and



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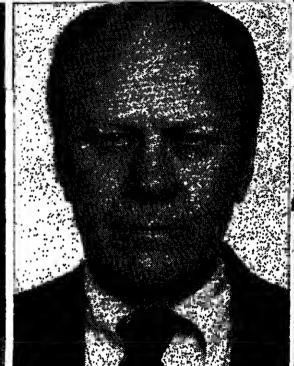




portraits for Rolling Stone. Some examples, from left:



Frida Kahlo by Emmy Lou Packard; Rose Kennedy by Avedon; Lee Krasner by Irving Penn; Longfellow and



his daughter, Edith, attributed to G. P. A. Healy, and Gerald R. Ford by Avedon. Both run through June 6.

Trespass

Directed by Walter Hill. U. S. "Trespass" is an outlandishly melodramatic, all-male morality fable about two white firemen from Arkansas who go bunting for buried treasure in an abandoned, exceptionally photogenic factory in East St. Louis, Illinois. in the course of their search, they are discovered by the members of a gang of black hoodlums who, thinking the off-duty fire fighters are on-duty policemen. set out to capture and murder them. Most of the violent catand-mouse game takes place inside the factory within one day that seems 96 hours long. The movie was written by Bob Gale and Robert Zemeckis, best known for the "Back to the Future" comedies, and directed by Walter Hill ("Southern Com-fort," "The Driver," "48 Hours"), whose hand has never been heavier. The cast is headed by Bill Paxton and William Sadler, who play the firemen. (one good guy and one bad guy), and Ice-T and Ice Cube, the rap performers who appear as the two principal gang members.

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Art Evans gives the film's most interesting performance as a homeless black man who lives in the factory and whose routine is disturbed by the interlopers. There is much creeping around litter-filled corridors, stairwells, chimneys and air shafts. Hostages are taken. Every now and then a fierce gunfight breaks out, at which point the sound levels are turned up to awaken the

(Vincent Canby, NYT) Leap of Faith

Directed by Richard Pierce.

Steve Martin's comedy is the product of divine possession, which is why he's made-to-order for the character of Jonas Nightengale, the holy-rolling con man extraordinaire in Richard Pearce's partly marvelous "Leap of Faith." The first half of the picture is full of delights, with Martin as Nightengale and Debra Winger as his partner-in-crime, Janey; with Pearce's roadrunner pace and screenwriter Janus Cercone's celebration of small-town life and big-time hustling. It's a not watching Nightengale and his crew set up the rubes in Rustwater, Kansas, where the citizenry is sinking fast in debt, losing its land as a result of a long drought. Not since "Pennies From Heaven" has Martin been so boldly physical, so well-oiled and smooth-running. Unfortunately, Martin isn't working solo here. There's a movie around his astounding turn, and, unfortunately, it's a pretty stinky one. The movie's finale takes us deep into "Field of Dreams" country, and, therefore, deep into the pantheistic, nondenominational, questing '90s. It's a celebration of something spiritual, though precisely what — God? Harmony? — is never entirely clear. But so what? Steve Martin is a dream. What else do you need?
(Hal Hinson, WP)

A Captive in the Land Directed by John Berry. U. S. John Berry's "A Captive in the Land' is the perfect winter movie for people who can't get

enough cold, snow, darkness and gloom. Set in northeast Si-

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beria near the Arctic Circle. where much of it was filmed, it lards a taut, Jack London-like survival story with a sticky dollop of bumanistic uplift. When an American meteorologist (Sam Waterston), bumming a ride in an RAF transport plane over the polar ice cap, spots some aircraft wreckage, he rashly insists on paracouting down with first aid. Upon landing, be finds only one survivor, a Soviet airman (Alexander Po-tapov) who is too badly injured to walk. The movie, which was completed before the crumbling of the Soviet Union, insists on lending the relationship between the American and the Russian a turgid metaphoric significance. Even though the filmmakers went to the trouble of shooting on location in Siberia, "A Captive in the Land" conveys too little of a sense of the vastness and chill of the arctic wilderness. And because the details of day-to-day surviv-al are left mostly unexamined, the physical distress of their situation is largely overlooked.

(Stephen Holden, NYT)

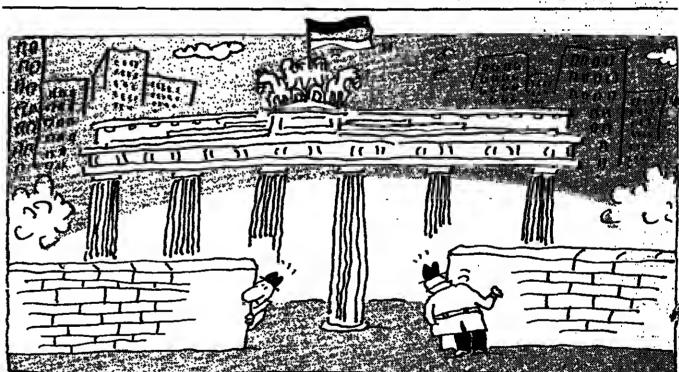
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The Unification of German Thrillers

By Ann Brocklehurst

ERLIN — It was inevitable that the fall of the Berlin Wall would complicate the working lives of Germany's fictional detectives. And as it turns out in the most recently published German crime novels, the end of the Cold War has not only given rise to new types of crime and drastically increased work loads, it has also played havoc with sleuths' personal lives as well.

Take the case of police Superintendent Hans-Jürgen Mannhardt whose son joins a group of violent neo-Nazi skinheads in "Ein Deal Zuviel" (One Deal Too Many), the latest book by "-ky," one of the few German mystery writers regularly translated into oth-

er European languages.

The author, Horst Bosetzky, a Berlin sociology professor who uses the "-ky" pen name, has made a habit of weaving topical social issues into his mysteries. And as his intellectual, left-leaning hero tries to control the skin-heads and track down a serial killer, he finds time to mull over Berlin's rising crime rate. anti-foreigner violence and the troubled rela-

tionship between East and West Germans.

But Mannhardt has less success figuring out how to resolve his personal dilemmas th he does solving crimes. By the end of the book, he has struck deals with the killers but failed to come to terms with his son.

Anna Marx, a Bonn gossip columnist with a propensity for stumbling across murders, is German version of the liberated women detectives who have become so popular in recent years. But although Anna is a hard drinker with a high profile and good success rate, she is not a superwoman along the lines of the internationally best-selling women private investigators. She neither jogs nor beats up suspects, and she's overweight. In Christine Gran's latest book "Grenzfälle" (Borderline Cases), Anna's love life is

the focal point as her politico boylriend is confronted by past contacts with Stasi, the be reserved for his BMW. East German state security police. The case marks a turning point in their relationship, and while the Stasi questions are eventually While tensions ease slightly as the two cops work together to find the murderer of a Russian Army officer's wife and unravel an East-West financial swindle, Gabler is far from at answered, Anna's romantic future with her boyfriend remains unclear. case when his partner makes his first friendly overture. Horstmüller lends the unstylish Ossi

"Gemischtes Doppel" (Mixed Double) is a mystery by two journalists, one from the East and one from the West. The protagonists are — what else? — an Eastern "Ossi" cop and a Western "Wessi" police detective who have been assigned to work together as a result of the merging of Berlin's two police forces.

Although the writers, Michael Illner (East) and Leo P. Ard (West), have faced some criticism for perpetualing the stereo-types of the bemuddled, plodding Ossi and the arrogant know-it-all Wessi, their book bas received generally good reviews.

The two policemen are a classic odd couple from the day of their first meeting when the Ossi, Gabler, parks his Toyota in the spot

Lennon fans looked at many sites all over Japan, but they liked our town because they thought it resembled the place where Lennon wrote 'Imagine,' " a spokesman for Naganohara told Reuters. Nonsense, says Karuizawa in neighboring Nagano prefecture. "Yoko Ono has a holiday home in Karuizawa and has specifically requested that a Lennon museum be built here," said a municipal council spokeswoman. All you need is

love . . . and five hectares (12.5 acres) of land.

just before its official reunification. The suspects and victims are a group of East Germans foolishly investing their newly redeemed Deutsche marks in the "pilot game" of the title, a shaky pyramid scheme introduced into the town by two visiting Wessis. Crime and criminals imported from the West were common plot devices in the mystery novels of the former German Democratic Republic, where, according to the official ic Republic, where, according to the official line, homegrown villains were almost impossible to find. That tradition lives on to a certain extent,

a prized cashmere jacket after Gabler's own clothes are bloodied in a punch-up with a skinhead named Göring. But before Gabler can appreciate the fine English tailoring he has bled over the new jacket and made matters even worse hypergrafts are stated.

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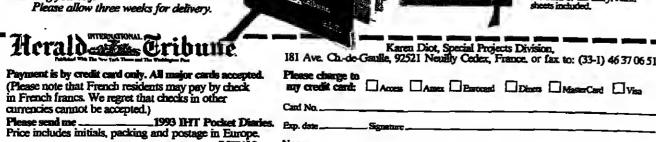
ters even worse by trying to remove the stain himself. It seems that reconciliation will have to wait for the planned sequels.

"Pilotenspiel" (Pilot Game) by Tom Wittgen, the pseudonym for the veteran East German mystery writer Ingeburg Siebenstädt, is a classic whodunit set in a small town in Eastern Germany's Currecty writer lace shortly after Germany's Currecty writers place

shortly after Germany's currency union and just before its official reunification. The sus-

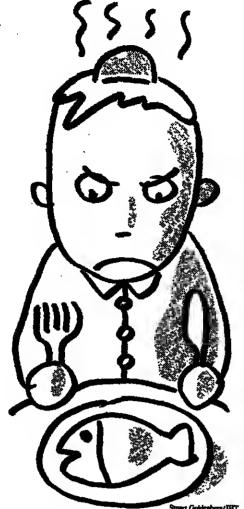
That tradition lives on to a certain extent, but many mystery writers of Eastern Germany are using their new-found literary freedom to exorcise the past. A new series of crime novels set in Leipzig deals with pollution, feminism and old party members. The publisher's slogan is "Every major city has the crime it deserves" and Leipzig is billed, for better or for worse, as the Chicago of the Fast. better or for worse, as the Chicago of the East.

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Grits, Vanilla and Squid, the World Traveler's Breakfast

By William Weaver

HESE days it is as common to eat quiche in Chicago as it is to eat fried chicken in Milan. The number of Japanese restaurants in New York probably exceeds that of native restaurants in Osaka. Even in my hometown, Front Royal, Virginia, there are restaurants of at least four different nationalities, whereas in my youth there were hardly any restaurants at all (if we ate out — which we almost never did — it was in the dining room of the local hotel or at Mrs. LeHew's excellent boarding house). In recent years, I have found creditable pasta in Tokyo and in Adelaide. Pizza and sushi, like chop sucy and chow mein before them, have become totally interna-tional. Dishes that 40 years ago were tantalizingly exotic have now become virtually standard everywhere.

If for hunch you fancy a chef's salad or you crave steak and french fries for dinner, you can get what you want in almost any city in the world. But breakfast is a different mat-ter. On rising in the morning, the culinarily conservative traveler can run into trouble, for breakfast is the one meal that resists internationalization. In starting their day, people remain traditionalists, hidebound to

their habits, unashamedly chauvinistic. Growing up in Virginia, in the morning I ate what seemed the most ordinary, predictable fare: eggs and bacon (or ham), toast and butter and jelly. Also, there was milk or cocoa when I was very little; tea as I grew into adolescence. On Sunday or special occa-Goldenberg Hit sions there would be waffles, or toast would

be replaced by biscuits or muffins. Eggs would sometimes cede to what I now call pancakes but then called flannel cakes, with

molasses (Br'er Rabbit green label), or corn-cakes or —in winter — buckwheat cakes. Once, after a weekend with a school friend in Washington, I came home all excited by a discovery; I revealed it to my mother with proselytizing zeal: maple syrup! My mother received the news with chilly equanimity: "Tve heard of it," she said, "It's some Yankee thing." I never had maple syrup again until I was a grown man, and to me it is still constitute alice and manderful. something alien and wonderful.

Except that I no longer eat pancakes or waffles. When I travel I can usually order with confidence my required tea and toast or a crosssant, and that's enough. But I am not always allowed a choice. And, in Japan, I have found myself faced with raw squid, rice, miso soup, pickled daikon.

Breakfast is not an Italian concept. As a young man, I lived for a while with a family in Naples. They had a cook of genns, and mid-day dinner (the only bona fide meal of the day) was as delicious as it was abundant. But we never ate before one o'clock and, most often, it was closer to 2 P. M. when we were bidden to the table. On waking up, as I listened to the sound of the sea slapping the wall below my window, I was greeted with a potent but minuscule espresso. Hours later, when dinner was served, I would be faint from

My hostess always remarked, with pleasure, on my prodigious appetite. After some weeks, a son of the family suggested to her that I might like "a real American breakfast." Uncertain about the meaning of these words, the signora provided — along with the few drops of strong coffee - a delicate little finger roll and a pat of sweet butter. I wolfed down this treat, while she watched me with wonderment.

Years ago, when I went to Bayreuth for the first time, I was — like many visitors unable to find a hotel room, so I stayed in a private house chosen from a list supplied by the festival office. It was a simple, scrupulously tidy blue-collar home, within walking distance of the center of town. The (modest) sum I paid included breakfast, and my cordial landlady provided, along with my tea, tasty brown bread, sweet butter, local honey. And she set out anything else that was edible and at hand; left-over roast, cold potatoes, harn, salami, cheese, chocolate cake, apples.

HE first morning I stuck strictly to bread, but by the second morning (after a great but exhausting "Par-sifal"), the potatoes looked awfully good. The roast went so well with them, and since I seemed to be eating dinner at 9 A. M., why not round it off with a slice of cake? Everything was delicious and, after all, it is only empty convention that decrees we must have steak for dinner and toast for breakfast.

After that experience my attitude toward breakfast abroad relaxed considerably, though in Japan, I confess, I still haven't got used to soup and fish when I first open my eyes, and I seek out one of the many cafes that advertise "breakfast set." But even this Westemized meal often has an Oriental touch: The toast is unusually thick and square, as if the Japanese had not yet quite got the idea of

loaf bread, a peculiarly Western institution. Friends who have been to China tell me of being served a dish of litchi nuts in bed with their morning tea. Delicious as litchis are,

can they ever replace Cooper's Oxford marmalade or seven-grain toast? In the 1950s, before China was really open to tourists, a delegation of Italian intellectuals was invited to the country. The party included the novelist Elsa Morante, a brilliant writer and a notoriously difficult and demanding traveler. No litchi nuts for her. She wanted a soft-boiled egg. An obliging waiter came to her room on the first morning, she said "soft-boiled egg" in several languages. Mystified, the waiter summoned a second, older waiter. The same incompre-

in no time the younger one reappeared carry-ing a tray; on it was a dish containing an egg-shaped scoop of vanilla ice cream. To her lasting credit, she ate the ice cream with her In the country sometimes, to while away an evening when there is only trash on television, my friends and I invent parlor games of the

hension followed. Finally, tearing a page from her notebook, the writer picked up her

pencil and made a careful drawing of an egg

cup with an upright egg in it. Smiles and cries

of understanding. The waiters vanished and

Once, when the group was fairly large, we each described the worst meal ever eaten. My own candidate was, perhaps inevitably, a breakfast. It was about three years ago. I was traveling from Rome to Japan and, to save money, was flying Aeroflot. The trip

simple-minded sort that involve, say, naming

the one record we'd have on a desert island.

involved a night's stopover in Moscow, and in the fare included accommodation at the airport transit hotel. I ended up sharing a double room in a place that might have rivaled a YMCA in the '30s in some provincial Ameri-can city. Spartan, with its classical connota-tion, would have been a compliment. Breakfast was not only included in the deal: It was virtually obligatory, since I had no visa and couldn't leave the building except to go to the airport. My Belgian roommate woke me at about 5 A. M. as he went off to catch his flight. At 7—when breakfast service began— I found my way to the dining room several floors above. Wordlessly, a grim waitress set some watery coffee in front of me, then brought a plate with a cold hot dog on it, garnished by some cold sauerkraut and com-plemented by paper-thin slices of cardboard cheese and some sour brown bread. The waitress, more like a guard, stood over me to make sure I ate what I had been given. Visions of Siberia danced in my head.

The thing about breakfast is that it often catches us off guard; in the morning hours I, at least, am not at my strongest or quickest. And, having had an Aeroflot dinner the night before (another strong contestant for worst meal), I was hungry. I gagged on the sauerkraut, much like Scarlett with her carrot (or is it turnip?) et the end of Part One of the movie. Fortunately, I thought, freedom is only a long flight away. Little did I know that my next breakfast would be raw squid.

William Weaver, who lives in Italy and translates contemporary Italian fiction, wrote this for The New York Times.

Theft, Loss, the PIN Peril, Forgery and Other Hazards of Credit Cards

By Roger Collis ional Herald Tribune

OUVE just returned from Hong Kong. You paid the hotel bill with your charge card as usual. You are now back in Zurich with the cards safely in your wallet. How could you know that you are the victim of an international criminal network circulating forged credit cards bearing your name and signature?

What happened is that a crooked cashier at your hotel in Hong Kong took details

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from the hotel copy of the card transaction when you settled your bill. Fake cards were then made with all your details. On the back is an example of your real signature torn from the hotel voucher. Of course, you can prove that you are not responsible for a worldwide raid on your account with a forged card. But think of the hassle!

Thieves often rifle through trash cans behind shops and restaurants for the carbons

behind the receipts. From these, they take personal details, number and expiration date, to make counterfeit cards.

Worried? Join the club. Plastic card fraud has hit epidemic proportions. Despite tough new security measures, British banks expect to lose more than £165 million (about \$250 million) to fraud this year, up from £50 million in 1989, according to Richard Tyson-Davis at the association of clearing banks in

Last year in Britain, two million cards were lost or stolen and 200,000 of them were later used fraudulently. In the United States, \$1.5 billion will be charged off to fraud this year. On an average day in the United States, more than 10,000 cards are lost by or stolen from 5,000 people. Card counterfeiting at Visa banks worldwide has grown from \$740,000 in 1981 to more than

Anti-fraud measures range from the sophisticated ("smart" cards containing a microchip and the electronic terminal where you sign on the machine or simply enter your PIN, personal identification number) to the routine, such as checking on signatures. Barclays has a "fraud watch" computer that scans for unusual purchases.

Scams range from the ridiculous (an Irishman was picked up in London with a card in the name of Wang Ho Fing) to the sophisti-cated: setting up a bogus mail-order business, billing for goods never shipped. An especially dirty trick is to steal a card and call the victim

— who has reported the loss — posing as a bank employee who needs your PIN so as to "make a check." The thief may have several hours to get money from cash machines be-

fore the computer registers the fraud. Moderately good news is that banks and card companies invariably bear the cost of fraud from the time the card is reported lost

or stolen. But what if you don't realize you've lost your card or that it's being misap-propriated? This is a gray area. If the bank thinks that somebody osed your card

writes the PIN on the card, or else openly in their diary," Tyson-Davis says. "In the past banks refused to pay when someone had coded the PIN in their diary. Don't tell through your negligence, you could be stack with the loss. You are especially vulnerable anyone your PIN, even in your family. The best way to avoid severe bassle is to if somebody else gets hold of your PIN.
"What we call negligence is someone who

join a card protection plan, such as Sentinel and CPP — which cover cards issued all over the world. For annual dues of around \$15 they will record all your cards and documents. If you lose them, make a single collect call on a 24-hour hotline and they will take care of notifying the card companies on your behalf, and ordering replacements. Both Sentinel and CPP cover up to £1,000 for the unauthorized use of your cards for the 24 hours prior to notification, unlimited insurance thereafter except where PIN numbers have been negligently disclosed. (Sentinel claims it paid up when a mugging victim disclosed his PIN and \$1,000 was cleaned out of his account.)

Credit Card Sentinel. Telephone United States (818) 882 9947; Japan 3-432 2500 or Britain (705) 471 234.

Record the Numbers

Do keep a list of card numbers as well as phone numbers to call if you need to report a loss in a safe place well away from your cards and checkbook. Only take the cards you really need on a trip.

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The Irish Museum of Modern Art (tel: 718,666). To Jan. 31: "Unspo-ken Truths." Works by 32 women of Dublin explore some of the unspoken

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Japan Toy Muaeum (tel: 232,4388). To Feb. 21: "Toy Cocks From All Over the World." More than 300 clay figures, whistles, wood carvings and other toys produced in 30 countries to commemorate the beginning of the year of the cock.

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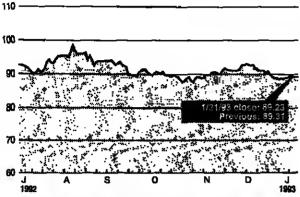
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Sanofi Insists YSL Fits Beautifully

By Roger Cohen New York Times Service

PARIS - Jean-François Dehecq, president of the French pharmaceuticals group Elf Sanofi, was explaining his strategy for calming the furor that has arisen from the company's acquisition this week of the Yves Saint Laurent fashion house.

We have to get across the fact that this will not harm our pharmaceuticals develop-ment," he said to his boss, Loik Le Floch-Prigent, the chairman of the state-owned oil company Elf Aquitaine. "And we have to demonstrate the strong profit potential of Yves Saint Laurent." Standing at the tele-phone in his office, Mr. Dehecq added, "I am not at all worried, not in the least; our stock price is going to pick up."

The early-morning telephone conversation between Mr. Le Floch-Prigent and the head of his pharmaceuticals group clearly reflected anxiety over the flurry of adverse comment that has accompanied the purchase of Yves Saint Laurent, announced Tuesday. The stock price of Elf Sanofi has plunged 11.4 percent since then, to 963 francs (\$178) at the close Thursday, amid persistent criticism that the company paid too much for a fashion

Elf Sanofi had appeared to many analysts to be concentrating its development on pharmaceuticals in an alliance, operating under the name of Sanofi Winthrop, forged in 1991 with the U.S. drug company Sterling Winthrop. But the French company has now opted to make an investment of 3.6 billion francs in beauty products and cosmetics.
"It was quite a shock to see Sanofi doing

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this because major pharmaceuticals compa-nies have generally been concentrating their activities rather than diversifying," said Jo Walton, an analyst at Lehman Brothers International. "The market does not like it."

There have also been persistent, if unsubstantiated, accusations that some political maneuvering lay behind the deal. "Sanofi maneuvering lay behind the deal. "Sanofi overpaid by 20 to 30 percent, offering a price for Saint Laurent that several other companies had refused to pay," said Bernard Barnier, an analyst at the Didier Philippe brokerage in Paris. "It's clearly a political deal,

house that will distract it from its core pharmaceuticals business.

arranged in the entourage of President Francois Mitterrand."

Such allegations stem from the fact that Mr. Saint Laurent's main husiness partner, Pierre Bergé, and Mr. Le Floch-Prigent of Elf Aquitaine are both close to Mr. Mitterrand, who might have been in a position to encourage the state-owned Elf to come to the aid of the financially troubled fashion group hy paying 870 francs a share for a stock that had last traded at 630 francs before the accord.

No evidence has been produced to support such contentions and Mr. Dehecq vehement-ly denied them in an interview.

"I did not have a single phone call from a olitician throughout the entire negotiation of this deal," he said. "Sanofi has acquired the finest name in fashion and beauty prod-ucts and we are going to make a lot of money

In essence, the 53-year-old Mr. Dehecq defended the deal as consistent for a company which has been involved in beauty products since its creation 20 years ago and as offering tremendous possibilities for costsaving synergies. Sanofi's beauty division, which accounted for just under 10 percent of 1992 sales of 21.8 billion francs, already in-

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USAir Receives Scaled-Down **BA Investment**

By Richard Weintranb

ways PLC invested \$300 million in USAir Group's USAir unit on Thursday in a scaled-down version of the two carriers' earlier deal, which was stymied by opposition from other U.S. airlines.

Under their new agreement, the airlines will try to present potential passengers with a picture of a seamless system that embraces USAir's American passenger network and British Air's international system.

A campaign by American Air-lines, Delta Air Lines and United Airlines forced the withdrawal of an earlier \$750 million investment proposal. The previous plan would have integrated many operations of the two airlines and would have given British Air veto power over many of USAir's critical business decisions.

That veto power is missing in the greement announced Thursday. although the accord provides for further British Air investments up to \$750 million if U.S. laws are changed to permit it. BA also is to get 3 seats on USAir's board.

Robert L. Crandall, chairman of American's parent AMR Corp., nevertheless has begun a new camaign to try to block the British Air-USAir alliance, even urging the govinternational accord that governs be in competition.

U.S.-British air travel if necessary. American and United contend that WASHINGTON - British Air- no further foreign investment should be allowed in U.S. airlines if it gives foreign carriers access to the huge American market without giving any further openings in fereign markets to U.S. carriers.

A Department of Transportation spokesman said the new deal did not require prior governmental approval, but it would be reviewed.

British Air received USAir pre-ferred stock with a 7 percent yield for its \$300 million investment. Both companies have varying conversion to common stock, remay and redemption rights under differing circumstances, designed to protect the short- and longer-term financial interests of each airline.

As part of the deal, USAir will sell its routes from London to Charlotte, North Carolina; Baltimore, and Philadelphia, but flights will continue with USAir personnel and aircraft flying under lease to British Air on those routes. A new flight between London and Pittsburgh, where USAir has its largest hub operation, will operate under a

similar arrangement. The route sales and the leases are a way to avoid antitrust problems that might arise if two airlines are viewed as coordinating flights in an ernment to renounce the area where they were supposed to

Jobless Rise Brings Gloom in Britain

By Erik Ipsen

International Herald Tribune
LONDON — The British economy took a body blow on Thursday with the news that the johless toll jumped by 60,000 in December, far worse than expected, and that manufacturing output, which was widely forecast to have risen in November, instead slumped by 0.5 percent.

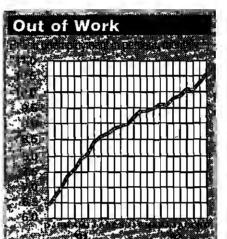
The December unemployment rate jumped to 10.5 percent with the number of jobless the highest in nearly six years, 2.97 million. It was the 32d consecutive monthly rise.

"The numbers are depressing," conceded David Kern, chief economist at National West-

The figures knocked a pfennig off the pound, which fell to a value of 2,4525 Deutsche marks, a drop of five pfennig since Monday, and heightened expectations of a cut in bank base lending rates. [Adding to the gloom, British Gas PLC said it would cut 1,200 jobs from its headquarters, Unit-

ed Press International reported from London. Additionally, 2,000 of the current 3,700 headquarters staff would be transferred to other operations, leaving just 460 workers at the site.]

Speaking at an economic conference Thurs-day, Professor Wynne Godley of Cambridge University said that he now thought that his



forecast of 0.5 percent growth for the British economy this year was perhaps "too optimis-tic." Mr. Godley, who is one of seven economists recently named as outside advisers to the British Treasury, said there was a danger "that there will not be a recovery at all and that things will just get worse over the medium term."

While most economists cling to forecasts of around 1 percent growth for the British economy this year, many confess that it is difficult to see where that growth will come from. The widely anticipated boost to exports from the devaluation of the pound has now hit the rocks of the slowdown elsewhere within the European Community, which absorbs 57 percent of British exports.

The extent of the deterioration in Europe growth prospects can be seen in the fact that bad as Britain's economy still looks, most forecasters say that it will be the best this year among the major EC countries. "The U.K. will be Europe's star performer," said Mr. Kern. He contrasted that situation with Germany, where he calculate ed the economy could contract 1.7 percent.

Europe's flagging economies are expected to send unemployment soaring still higher, "Un-employment is the largest European issue," said Nigel Gault, chief economist for DRI/McGraw Hill in London. While it will undoubtedly occumany an official's mind in coming months. the problem looks all but intractable in the near

Economists noted that governments were barred from fiscal expansion by huge hudget deficits and from nudging interest rates down

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Market Likes Douglas Data

ST. LOUIS, Missouri - McDonnell Douglas Corp. announce: lower 1992 operating profit Thursday, but the results commenced results commenced in the results commented in the results In the latest quarter, net income was boosted by a \$676 million gain on reduced healthcare liabilities for retirees, Douglas earned \$762 million, up from \$211 million in 1991, but without the special item, it would have been \$86 million, Sales fell 1.3 percent, to \$4.62 million.
For 1992, Donglas had a loss of \$781 million, after a \$423 million

The company said aside from the C-17 military transport, which caused a pretax charge of \$383 million because of cost overruns and other problems, government aerospace programs had record earnings.

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Yet Another Exotic Hedge Is Cultivated in Chicago

By Kurt Eichenwald

New York Times Service EW YORK - Wall Street long ago threw aside the oldfashioned world of simple stocks and bonds. Now. professional mathematicians and computer experts peel away pieces of each market like layers of an onion.
creating new and more complex trading instruments to make investing less risky.

Another layer was pecied away this week when the Chicago Board Options Exchange announced it was creating the first volatility index to measure expectations of future price fluctuations

of stocks. The index, based on the Standard & Poor's 100 index options, will begin being quoted daily next week, and throughout the day in two weeks. The exchange said it expected to soon file a proposal with the Securities and Exchange Commission

The latest index measures volatility on the S&P 100 options.

to trade options on the index. With institutional traders already investing billions in strategies designed to capture profits from price fluctuations, Wall Street analysts said that the new product - if it works - could attract even more capital to U.S. stock markets.

"The more ways you have to hedge risk, the more ways you feel comfortable in investing in the markets," said Jeffrey Tabak, a partner with Miller Tabak Hirsch & Co. in New York. "This development could increase the overall liquidity of the stock market." People working with the options exchange were even more essure. "This project could be one of the most exciting developments in futures and options in the '90s, if not the most exciting,' said Robert Whaley, a professor of finance at Duke University, who helped the exchange develop the index.

Ever since the chaos of the 1987 market collapse and the subsequent months of whipsawing prices, individual investors have been keenly aware of the markets' potential volatility. The new index is another way Wall Street has tried to convert that volatility

Options traders are among the biggest volatility players. Stock options allow purchasers the right to buy shares in the future at a set price, known as the strike orice.

If the market is highly volatile and pushes shares higher than the

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Recovery Plan Gets Bundesbank Support

BONN - The German government said Thursday it had won the support of the Bundes-hank for its latest austerity plan, even though the proposals will mean a hefty increase in the 1993 budget deficit.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl hopes proposals unveiled Tnesday will form the hasis of a "solidarity paet," a recovery plan for Germany's faltering economy backed by unions and industry, which will enable the independent central bank to cut its high interest rates.

Finance Minister Theo Waigel said Mr. Kohl's Federal Consolidation Program for ending cuts and tax increases had been favorably received when he explained it at a meeting Thursday of the Bundes-

bank's policy-making council. The Bundesbank, still worned about rising German infla-tion, left its leading interest rates unchanged Thursday, but economists believed it would ease its tight monetary policies

The Bundesbank has often said that cuts in budget deficits, which have soared since Ger-many reunited in 1990, are an important precondition for lower interest rates. But the federal deficit is set to rise in 1993 because of falling tax revenue

and extra spending on unem-ployment, both of which are

Mr. Waigel forecast a 1993 federal deficit of 52 billion Deutsche marks (\$32.4 billion), billion DM less than a Tuesday forecast, but a hefry increase from the 43 hillion DM he had previously predicted. The 1992 deficit is expected to be about 39 billion DM.

A finance ministry statement said that the Bundeshank considered "a higher hudget deficit justified on condition that the Federal Consolidation Program is implemented in its

Mr. Waigel said the Bundesbank was more interested in the total public-sector deficit. which combines the federal government. Germany's 16 regional states and its municipalities. This deficit is due to surge to 132.5 billion DM in 1993, from a projected 119 hillion DM in 1992, but it is expected to fall to 75 hillion DM by 1996.

Mr. Waigel said the cabinet hoped to approve the pact at the start of March but he acknowledged that he faced a tough battle in getting it through parliament. Mr. Kohl's coalition has a majority in the lower house, but the opposition have promised opposition in the upper house.

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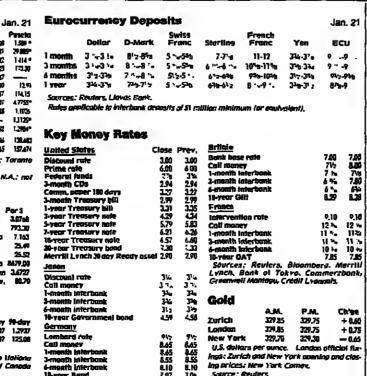
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NEW YORK -Stock prices rose Thursday as a bond-market rally gave investors a sign that interest rates may be headed lower. Overthe-counter shares set a record.

Better-than-expected earnings from computer software and re-

N.Y. Stocks

gional telephone companies also helped stocks, traders said.

The Dow Jones industrial average climbed 11.07 to 3,253.02. The Nasdaq Combined Composite index surged 3.31 to an all-time high of 700.75.

Advancing stocks outpaced decliners by a margin of 4 to 3 among common stocks on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading was active, with more than 255 million shares changing hands on the Big Board.

A jump in Treasury prices served as the catalyst for an afternoon unswing in the stock market, which had been bittle changed, traders said. Bonds gained after Laura D'Andrea Tyson, nominated to head the Council of Economic Advisers, said the Clinton administration would consider reducing the amount of long-term boods sold by the Treasury. Less long-term debt

presumably would lower long-term rutes and reduce financing costs. Regional Bell operating companies, bolstered by strong earnings from Bell Atlantic Corp., Nynex Corp., and U S West Inc., advanced the most in the S&P 500.

Computer stocks resumed their rally when Computer Associates International Inc. said third-quarter earnings surged 48 percent to \$80.2 million. Computer Associates jumped 4¼ to 25¼.

Altera Corp. rose 1% to 15%. The company posted higher-than-expected results in the fourth quarter. Creative Technology Ltd., a maker of audio and video products. vaulted 5 to 291/2 on a surge in financial second-quarter earnings.

to 55 cents a share from 19 cents. Media Vision, which makes multimedia computing products, soared 31/2 to 28. Earlier this week, the company introduced a software-based technology that improves sound quality.

Computer hardware makers did

not fare as well. Tandem Computers Inc. dropped 2 to 14% on disappointing operating results in the first fiscal quarter.

Polaroid Corp. tumbled 2 to 27% after the company said it expected a decline in 1992 earnings because of falling film sales in Europe.

Rate-Conscious Market Gives Dollar a Break

NEW YORK - The dollar rose against the Deutsche mark Thursday, although German interest rates remained unchanged at levels favorable to the mark

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Foreign Exchange

8.25 percent. These rates are about five percentage points higher than equivalent U.S. rates.

Still, the Bundesbank's lack of action generated no great disappointment that could have led to a dollar fall, because most analysts and traders had expected no

The dollar closed at 1.6141 DM, up more than a pfennig from its 1.6009 DM close on Wednesday. The dollar rose to 124,925 ven from 124,65, to 1,4798 Swiss francs from 1.4673 and to 5.4545 Freoch francs from 5.4190.

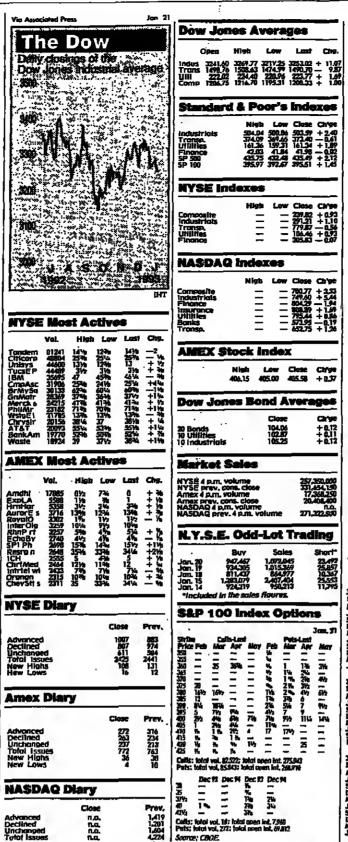
The pound took a beating after equity investment

the British government reported that the jobless rate rose to 10.5 percent, a six-year high, in December. Coming oo the heels of December's disappointing retail sales, the unemployment news raised ex-pectations of a cut in the British lng council left its Lombard rate at base lending rate from 7 percent, 9.5 percent and the discount rate at said Carol Callanan, assistant vice president al Crédit Lyonnais in

> The pound finished at \$1.5225, down 2 cents from \$1,5450 on Wednesday, and at 2.4553 DM, down 2 pfennig from 2.4766 DM.

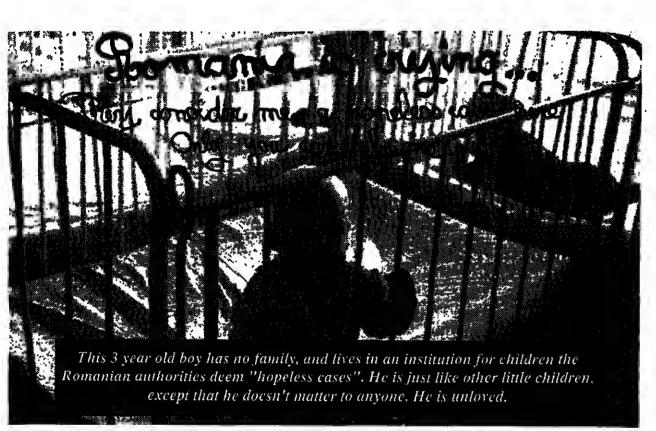
The Canadian dollar fell sharply, traders said. The currency closed at 77.79 U.S. cents, down from 78.16 U.S. cents on Wednesday.

Concern about Royal Trustco Lid. and the future leadership of the federal Conservative and Quebec provincial Liberal parties "coo-spired 10 undermine the currency," analysis at MMS International said. Royal Trustco said Wednesday it would post a fourth-quarter loss and was seeking a "major"



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150,000 abandoned chitdren call these institutions "home".

Three years have gone by since the events in Romania, but the situation for abandoned children there is still tragic. Numbers of children interned in Ceausescu's monstrous 600 "home" network are on the rise. And once these children are in the system, there is no way out. Adoption is against the law, and foster families don't exist. These innocent victims lead a life of sadness, longing and despair.

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The SERA* is committed to saving as many of these children as possible. It is currently recruiting teams of doctors and teachers on-site to better the quality and numbers of available staff in 2 "homes" for 350 children. The SERA also provides such vital minimum equipment as running water, toilets, heat, washing machines, bedding, etc.

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Fed Reports Better Economic Tone

WASHINGTON (Combined Dispatches) — The U.S. economy entered 1993 on a positive note, improving at a brisker pace than that of a regarder as consumer spending provided strength, the Federal Reserve

said Thursday.

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In the so-called Beige Book report that it issues every six weeks, the Fed said economic conditions improved over most of the nation in December and early January, with California still suffering a slump because of layoffs in defense-related industries.

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President Bill Clinton's Council of Economic Advisers, said the economy was in a "modest recovery" but that job growth was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but that job growth was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but that job growth was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but that job growth was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but that job growth was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but that job growth was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but that job growth was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but that job growth was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but that job growth was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but that job growth was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but that job growth was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but that job growth was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but the progression was not progressing at a was in a "modest recovery" but the progression was not progressing at a was not pr rate seen after previous recessions.

Wang's CEO Miller Steps Down

LOWELL, Massachusetts (Combined Dispatches) - Richard Miller. chairman and chief executive of Wang Laboratories Inc., said Thursday that he was resigning to facilitate the computer company's emergence

from bankruptcy court proceedings.

Wang named three executives to head it: Michael Mee as chairman and chief financial officer, Donald Casey as co-president and chief development. officer and Joseph Tucci as co-president and chief executive. Wang is trying to restructure as a software company. It previously had been a maker of minicomputers.

[Bloomberg, Reuters] (Bloomberg, Reuters) .

Texaco's Operating Profit Surges

White Plains, New York (Bloomberg) — Texaco Inc. said Thursday that higher natural gas prices, improved refining and marketing profits in the United States and currency gains helped lift fourth-quarter income from operations 41 percent from a year earlier.

The fourth-largest U.S. oil company said income before one-time charges or gains in the quarter ended Dec. 31 increased to \$416 million. Revenue slipped to \$9.70 billion from \$9.76 billion. Including one-time gains and charges, fourth-quarter earnings fell 3.4 percent to \$313 million.

Time Warner Redeems 11% Stock

NEW YORK (AP) — Time Warner Inc., which has been moving to take advantage of lower interest rates, said Thursday it would spend \$2.5 billion to redeem some expensive preferred stock.

The media-entertainment conglomerate said it would pay \$54.3847 per share for 45 million shares of its Series D convertible exchangeables. preferred stock. The stock, issued as part of the deal that combined Time. Inc. with Warner Communications Inc. three years ago, has been paying advidend of additional preferred stock at an annual rate of 11 percent.

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redemption through issuing less costly bonds and other securities.

• Time Warner's board elected Gerald Levin, the chief executive officer and president, as chairman, in a widely expected move. Hear replaced Steven Ross, who died Dec. 20 after undergoing a year of treatment for prostate cancer.

Bristol-Myers Squibb's Sales Are Flat

NEW YORK (Combined Dispatches) — Bristol-Myers Squibb Co... citing stronger international sales. Thursday reported that its fourthquarter net income rose 12 percent to \$583 million. But overall, sales rose only marginally, to \$2.83 billion, and analysts: focused on that and the 5 percent drop in domestic revenue. The stock-closed down \$1.125 at \$60.875. (UPI, Remersi-

For the Record

Sara Lee Corp.'s net profit rose 16 percent to \$220 million in its lates quarter because of improved margins at its packaged-foods unit and high. sales from acquisitions at the consumer-products unit. (Bloomberg)

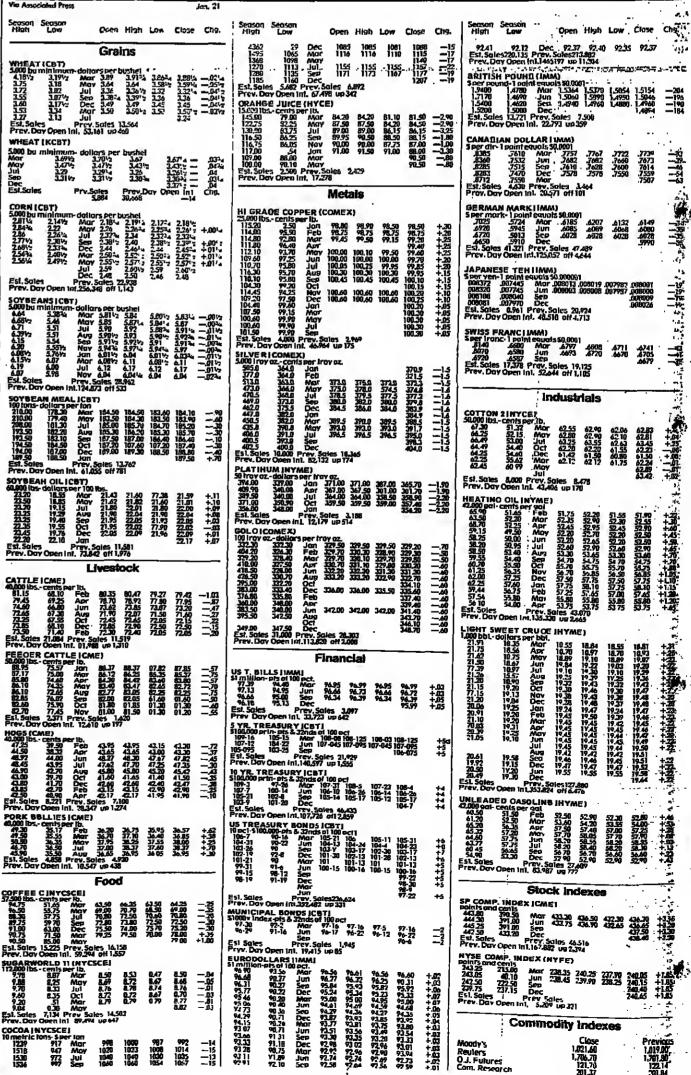
Quaker Oats Co. said second-quarter earnings rose 31 percent to \$58.5 million, led by cost-control measures, a gain from the sale of two Italians businesses and a change in the timing of promotions.

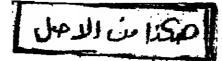
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A Closed Party in Frankfurt

FRANKFURT - Germany's eight stock exchanges decided in December to put aside their regional squabbles and set up a truly international financial market. But foreign bankers say they still have a long way to go.

The regional exchanges created Deutsche Börse AG as a single umbrella company for derivatives and cash, computer-based and floor trading - 2 world first

For foreign banks, the trouble is that Deutsche Borse is controlled by German banks,

We're quite annoyed we didn't get a seat on the supervisory board of Deutsche Börse," said Hans-Georg Engel, managing director of the association of foreign banks in Germany and vicepresident at J.P. Morgan in Frankfurt. "It's a esult of the strong provincialism in the German financial market.

"At the moment, of course, it doesn't make a good impression," a spokesman for Deutsche Borse said. "But I wouldn't say that it contradicts efforts to make the German stock exchange more

Mr. Engel did oot specify anything foreign banks would want to change, but he said member-ship of the board "would enable foreign banks to be closer to the decisions of Deutsche Borse." adding, "It would be a logical consequence of our cooperation with the stock exchange.

Foreign banks own 8.5 percent of the capital of

Deutsche Borse and account for about the same share of business volume on the exchange, according to Jürgen Eike, the association's spokesman.

Foreign banks were promised one of the extra four seats created on the Frankfurt stock exchange's supervisory board when it was enlarged from 10 to 14 at the time that Deutsche Borse was

set up.
But those plans fell prey to German provincialism, Mr. Engel said. "They couldn't decide which of the two large Bavarian banks to include, so in the end they took both," he said, referring to Bayerische Vereinsbank and Bayerische Hypotheken- & Wechselbank

With oew board members from Westdeutsche Landesbank and Trinkaus & Burckhardt, both based io Düsseldorf, there was no place left for the foreign banks. A supervisory board cannot exceed 14 members under German law.

Germany's foreign banks may get another chance later this year, when the Deutsche Börse votes on a new supervisory board.

"I'm preity sure the foreign banks will be considered at the elections for the supervisory board at the end of the year," the Deutsche Börse spokesman said. He noted that foreign banks were now represented on the board of the German futures exchange, Deutsche Terminbörse, a unit of Deut-

Germany has to get used to thinking internationally and in a larger dimension." Mr. Engel said. "Slowly, but surely, that's being realized."

Sandoz Profit Up Strongly on 8% Sales Gain

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

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BASEL, Switzerland - Sandoz AG, one of Switzerland's big pharmaceuticals companies, said Thursday that its group net profit for 1992 rose substantially from last year's 1.11 billion Swiss francs (\$760 million).

Sandoz made the statement in reporting an 8 percent increase in revenue last year, to 14.42 billion francs. Specific net profit figures will be released in the spring. Sandoz said solid growth in sales volume had enabled all its divisions to increase revenue despite the sluggish world economy.

Pharmaceuticals increased revenue by 9 percent in

Swiss franc terms to 6.87 hillion francs. Sales in the chemicals division, strong in North and South Ameri-ca and in Asia but only mildly better in Europe, increased 4 percent to 2.45 billion francs.

Nutritional products recorded a 13 percent increase in sales to 1.75 billion francs, thanks partly to "strong expansion" in the adult dietetics business. "Excellent" results were recorded by Sandoz's Ovaltine and Isotar

drinks, the company said. The agricultural unit, which specializes in crop protection, recorded a 6 percent increase in revenue to 1.23 billion francs.

PARIS - Euro Disney SCA and Air France on Thursday signed an agreement making the French state-owned airline the theme park

operator's preferred air carrier. The agreement was the second move in a week to tighten ties between the park operator, which is 49 percent owned by Walt Disney

Co., and its host country. Last Friday, Euro Disney an-nounced that Philippe Bourgui-gnon, a Frenchman who is currently second in command, would become chairman, succeeding Robtors," it said. ert Fitzpatrick, an American.

Air France

Mr. Bourguignon's promotion was seen as part of the company's efforts to overcome the lingering reluctance the French have shown

to visit the theme park Euro Disney operates east of Paris. Euro Disney and Air France said they would do joint promotions in

Europe. For package tours, Air France and Euro Disney will offer each other the best possible terms. The accord will cover France, the Benelux countries, Switzerland, Austria, Spain and Portogal. It will be extended from April 1 to include

Britain, Ireland, Germany and Italy. Euro Disney has said it will fall short of its initial target of 11 million visitors in its first year of oper-Buon ending in April.

Mr. Bourguignon said that Air France's international oetwork and its Air loter unit's domestie lines would "enable Euro Disney to reinforce its position as the leading vacation destination in Europe."

(Reuters, Bloomberg)

VOLATILITY: How to Hedge It BRITAIN: Data Spread Gloom

(Continued from first finance page) strike price, profits can be juicy. So options traders welcome volatility. which they call implied volatility.

But hedging those volatility bets was always cumbersome. By creating the new index, Wall Street execunives say, the options exchange may have tapped into an area where there is demand,

"Separating it out may have a real market," said Richard L. Sandor, executive managing director at Kidder, Peabody & Co. "In theory, this is a clear, unambiguous way to trade volatility."

The options exchange's index is assembled through calculating the implied volatility of the eight S&P 100 options that are closest to their strike price. That, exchange offibest predictor of future volatility.

"It is not like a stock index that tells you what will happen today," Mr. Whaley said, "It is a barometer of future volatility."

Implied volatilities for individual options are currently quoted from the floor of the exchange as a percentage, with 100 percent representing maximum possible future volatility. Typically, an individual option's implied volatility stands in the 20-30 perceot range.

The exchange says it chose the price because these are the most less chance that they will be sur- sist that temptatioo uotil the rounded by special circumstances recovery was more firmly in place.

Although unemployment is typi-

by the Bundesbank's steadfast refusal to lead the way.

(Reuters, Bloomberg)

"The Bundesbank is still looking at inflation, not unemployment." said Mr. Gault, "Asking them to change is like beating your head against the wall."

Similarly, the notion of governments spending their way out of recession seems doomed to failure. In Britain, for instance, oext year's government deficit is forecast to total a massive £50 billion, a projection that has led to calls for eight options nearest their exercise higher taxes. On Thursday, however, the Confederation of British Inliquid, active options, and there is dustry asked the government to re-

cials say, gives results that are the (Continued from first finance page) cally cited as a lagging indicator of worry that large jumps in the jobless rate can have a depressing impact on consumer confidence.

Nigel Pain, chief economist for the National Institute of Economic and Social Research, noted that on the back of large increases in real disposable income, British consumers now had "plenty of money to spend."

saw much to fret over. He said that his economic model had recently produced projections that he con-fessed had made him "blanch." Mr. Godley predicted British nnemployment would rise by as much as a half millioo people by the end of this year, to 3.5 million.

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In Pact With Has \$1 Billion Loss ROME — The state-controlled the company since 1988. steelmaker Ilva SpA had a loss of between 1.5 trillion and 1.8 trillion hre (\$1.03 billion to \$1.23 billion)

last year, its owner, the IRI holding company, said Thursday. changes. The steelmaker's managing di-rector resigned shortly before the announcement.

IRI, or Istituto per la Ricostruzione Industriale, assured creditors it would guarantee all debts of the steelmaker and its fully-owned subsidiaries. "IRI specifically undertakes to ensure the honoring by Ilva of all its obligations to credi-

Euro Disney Italian Steelmaker

News reports have put Ilva's debt at more than 8 trillion lire, against shareholder assets of about 26 trillion.

llva's managing director, Gio-vanni Gambardella, said in resign-ing that difficult market conditions facing the company required a

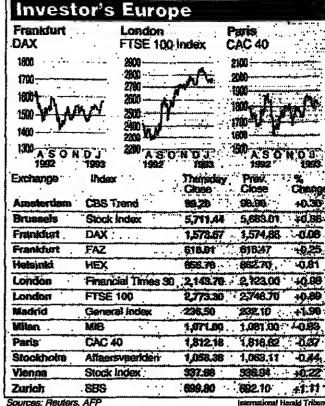
IRI has said it intends to restructure the troubled steel company but the plans have been delayed by the problem of bow to finance the

An outline plan announced by IRI late last year called for the transfer of the healthiest parts of the business to a new company, while other activities would be sold off or biquidated.

The plan is similar to the one under which Ilva was launched in the late 1980s after the former steel holding company. Finsider, collapsed under the weight of its

■ Pirelli Sets Layoffs

Pirelli SpA, the big Italian tire and cable maker, said Thursday that it planned to stop production at a copper cable plant in Airola. laying off 400 workers. The Associ-



ICI and BASF Swap Units

LONDON - Imperial Chemical Industries PLC said Thursday it would swap its West European polypropylene business for BASF AG's West European acrylics unit and an unspecified amount of cash. Analysts said ICI's plans to dispose of its polypropylene business had been expected and added the swap was a good strategie move.

ICI is to acquire BASF's Resart GmbH and Critesa SA units, which produce polymethylmethacrylate granules and semifinished acrylic glass products for the Continental market.

BASF will acquire ICI'S plants for propathene polymers, a widely used plastic, in Germany and Britam. These have an annual aggregate capacity of 300,000 tons. BASF will also acquire ICI's British-based procom polypropylene compounding business. The ICI busi-ness have annual sales of about £135 million.

In London, ICI's stock rose 3 pence, to close at 1,123, while in Frankfurt, BASF shares ended at 212.90 Deutsche marks (\$133), up 30 pfennig. (AFX, AFP, Reuters, Bloomberg)

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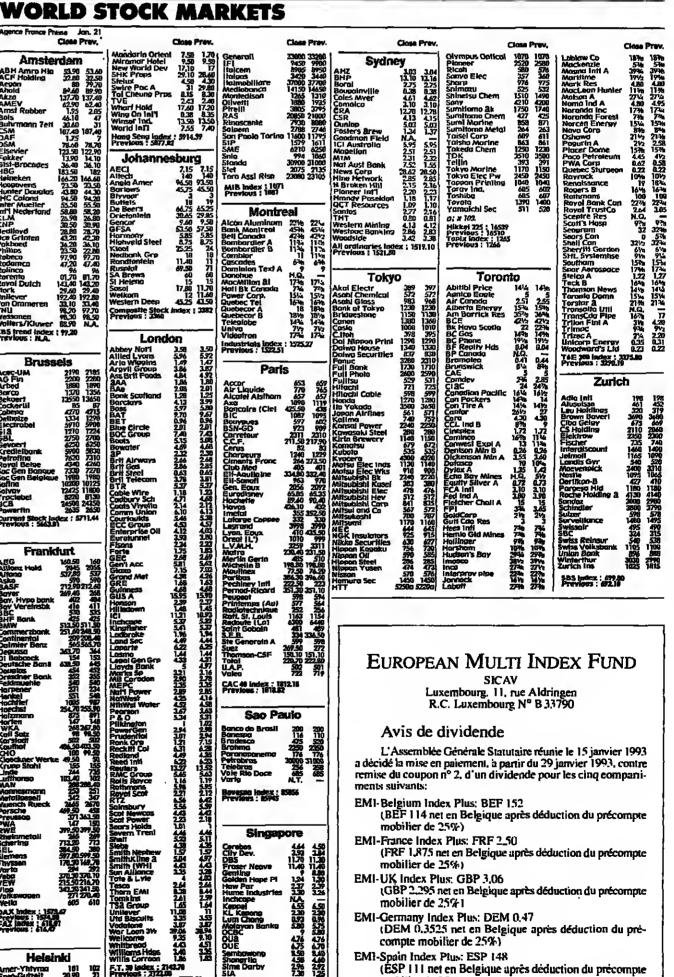
 The ruble sank to a new low of 493 to the dollar at the Thursday session
of the Moscow Interbank Currency Exchange, and officials said it might breach the threshold of 500 to the dollar next week. It had been quoted at 474.50 at the previous session on Tuesday.

 Lloyd's, the world's biggest insurance market, faces a loss of £1.635 billion (\$2.49 billion) for 1990, according to Chatset, a firm that tracks Lloyd's performance. Lloyd's had a £2.06 billion loss in 1989.

 Anglo American Corp. said distributable profit for its gold-producing units totaled 202.7 million rand (\$66.1 million) in the quarter ended Dec. 31, up 33 percent from the previous quarter.

 The Commission des Opérations de Bourse, the French watchdog body, said it bad opened an inquiry into price movements in Lyonnaise des Eaux Dumez SA. The stock fell more than 5 percent Wednesday before the company announced a sharp downward revision in forecasts for 1992. French banks cut about 2 percent of their work forces in 1992 and will cut another 2 percent in 1993, the Association of French Banks said.

• El-Al Israel Airlines, citing price competition and falling market share in passenger flights, said its profit fell 34.2 percent to \$25 million in 1992. Bloomberg, Reuters, AFX, AFF



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SANOFI: Pharmaceuticals Firm Insists Saint Laurent Fits Beautifully

(Continued from first finance page) cludes Oscar de la Renta, Roger & Gallet and Van Cleef & Arpels. The company has major shareholdings in Yves Rocher and Nina Ricci.

As an example, Mr. Dehecq re-ferred to the U.S. market, where he said Sanofi's and Nina Ricci's sales in beauty products amounted to about \$130 million a year, while Yves Saint Laurent's were only about \$60 million. "We are going to boost Yves Saint Laurent products enormously through our distribu-tion muscle and know-how," he

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"I am a man who has kept his promises for 20 years and I state categorically that there will be no dilution of Elf Sanofi's earnings in 1993 due to this deal," he said.

analyst at Hoare Govett in London. "Sanofi has paid a very high price, perhaps 25 times Yves Saint Laurent's 1992 earnings." Yves Saint Laurent made a net profit of 232 million francs in 1991, but this is expected to fall to under 150 million francs in 1992 due to the depressed market for luxury goods. Mr. Dehecq said that Elf Sanofi's net profit for 1992 would rise to "decisively more than 1 billion francs." from 950 million in 1991.

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This improvement appears to chiefly reflect the smooth function-

"There has to be some dilution of earnings," said Joanna Clepp, an analyst at Hoare Govett in London. "Sanofi has paid a user that Mr. Le Floch-Prigent of Elf Aquitaine has said that one reason for the Yves Saint Laurent acquisition was to maintain Sanofi's profitability until the expected introduction.

in 1997 and beyond, of a new osteo porosis drug, Tilodronate. But the challenge now facing Sanofi is to prove the market wrong in believing that this heavy investment in the beauty sector may detract from the company's consis-tently solid performance in 12 Month High Low Stock

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*Cathay Says Attendants' Strike Is Crumbling

HONG KONG — Cathay Pacific Airways Ltd. said Thursday the strike by its flight attendants was crumbling with about 50 percent of its cabin staff back on the job.

"My best guess is that probably about half the crew are now actively flying," said Rod Eddington, Caay's managing director.

The Flight Attendants Union, which called the strike eight days ago in a dispute mainly about staffing levels, says that around 3,000 of its 3,500 members are on strike. Cathay has around 4,000 cabin crew.

Ken Patience, a union spokesman, said "3,000 are striking at the moment and we have a list of pre-cisely who they are." He said the management claims that the strike was crumbling was an attempt to demoralize and divide the strikers.

Mr. Eddington said Cathay would be able to get all its passengers into and out of Hong Kong over the Chinese New Year holi-day, which begins Friday and is the maine's busiest time of year.

Cathay said it planned to operate 25 of its own aircraft from Hong Kong on Thursday and that it chartered a further 22 with crew from other airlines. Altogether, it is running 47 of a scheduled 49 services.

One of the sticking points in ne-gotiations to end the job action is hkely to be Cathay's insistence that it will take disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal, against

those who went on strike. The union says it will not call off the strike unless Cathay, which is controlled by Swire Pacific Ltd., agreed not to penalize those involved in the action.

Clinton: Tough on Trade? Japan Hopes for Best, Prepares for Worst

By Paul Blustein Washington Post Service TOKYO — For weeks, Japa-

Dese trade experts have been struggling to divine President Bill Clinton's mtentions, intensively seeking to assess just how tough he will get with Japan on the trade issue.

Officials from three government agencies and the leading business organization, the Keidanren, have traveled to Washington in hopes of gaining insight. Back in Tokyo, their colleagues have been poring over transcripts of confirmation hearings for Mr.

Clinton's top appointees.

Their general conclusions: Mr. Clinton will not abandon the free-trade orientation of prior U.S. governments, nor use extreme protectionist methods to bully Japan into buying more U.S. products. Then again, he

"Our overall impression of Clinton is that, first of all, he understands many issues very well," said a senior official of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry. "But our feeling is that, perhaps as a result of his being so knowledgeable, what he

will actually do is unknown. "A lot of us thought that once we found out who would be in the cabinet, we might get an im-pression of what his trade policies will be," the official said. But the situation is still difficult

to figure out." That mixture of confidence and anxiety is widely shared. Despite troubling signals and Japanese expectations that the new president will adopt a somewhat tougher trade stance than George Bush did, the prevailing view is that Mr. Clinton's trade policies will not be radically different.

"They will probably say all sorts of things," Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa said in a recent But some see unsettling signs. television interview. "Whenever there is a new administration they always blow a lot of hot air. But after several months, it

quiets down." Japanese husiness and government leaders applaud the president's focus on deficit-cutting and curing America's domestic problems — B more sensible approach, in their view, than blam-

g Japan for U.S. woes. But few people in Tokyo say

'What he will actually do is unknown.' A MITT official

tion will adhere to the free-trade ideology of the past. So policymakers are discussing proposals aimed at keeping trade disputes from escalating, and are vowing to fight back should Washington ever unilaterally impose trade sanctions against Tokyo.

"When you become president, you become prudent and responsible," said Kazuo Nukazawa, managing director of the Kei-danren. "But we are preparing for the worst. Any prudent nation should."

One of the main reasons for optimism on the trade front, in the view of Mr. Nukazawa and others, is that the United States is staging a solid recovery from recession, and such U.S. industries as computer chip making and auto manufacturing are becoming more competitive, there-

But some see unsettling signs, notably the selection of Laura D'Andrea Tyson to chair the president's Council of Economic Advisers. Mrs. Tyson has argued that to ensure the health of strategically important industries, the U.S. government may need to "manage" trade with countries

Noboru Hatakeyama, MITT's vice minister for international affairs, gave a cool reaction last month to her selection. "We have not necessarily gotten the impression that she is very much in favor of free trade," he said.

Japanese automakers are particularly upset over signs that the new administration intends to sharply increase tariffs on imports of Japanese minivans. Tatsum Toyoda, president of Toyota Motor Corp., said such a move would be "completely counter to the spirit of free trade."

Accordingly, Japanese govern-ment and husiness leaders are girding for a possible onslaught of criticism from Washington. They say one of the ways Tokyo will surely respond is by announcing a major new government spending program mended to boost the economy. That would help spur demand for imported goods and put a lid on Tokyo's embarrassing

But officials here said Tokyo was likely to take a tougher line if it felt abused by Mr. Clinton. For example, they say, if Washington unilaterally imposes sanctions on Japanese products in a bid to force Tokyo to import more, Japan would most likely haul the United States before the General Agreement on Tariffs

Dell Corp. Escalates Japan's PC War

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches TOKYO - Dell Computer Corp., hot in the footsteps of its archrival Compaq, threw down the gauntlet Thursday to its U.S. and Japanese competitors with a plan to crash the Japanese market with low-cost personal computers.

But analysts were skeptical whether the ambitious Texas-based start-up would win over Japanese customers, who are notoriously fussy about service and back-up

support for products.

Michael S. Dell, the 27-year-old chairman, said at a news conference that Dell's entry into Japan marked s shift in the international strategy of a company that already derives nearly 40 percent of total revenue from non-U.S. subsidiaries.

"While we have focused our energy on expansion in Europe up until now, the focus of Dell in the next five years will be Asia," he said. Next week, Dell will set up a subsidiary in Australia.

The company will market six personal-computer models in Japan starting Friday, with prices starting at 98,000 yen (\$790) for machines based on Intel's 386SX central processing units; 152,000 yen for more powerful machines based on Intel's 486SX CPUs; and 248,000 yen for 386SX-based notebook computers.

Compaq Computer Corp. start-ed the onslaught of foreign com-puter makers on Oct. 1, announcing 24 models priced from 128,000 yen. On Oct. 20, IBM Japan came in with machines also built around the Intel 486 chip and priced from 198,000 yen. On the same day, Apple Computer Inc. and Digital Equipment Corp. dropped their prices in Japan by 10 percent and 56 percent, respectively,

Thursday's announcement by PC market leader, NEC Corp., introduced six personal-computer

Nippon Steel Mulls Chip Deal

TOKYO — Nippon Steel Corp. said Thursday it was considering buying a troubled unit of Minebea Co. that makes computer chips under licence from Intel Corp. and

Hitachi Ltd. Both parties declined to confirm a report in the Nihon Keizai Shimbun that the world's biggest steelmaker would pay 30 hillion yen (\$240 million) for the 60 percent of NMB Semiconductor Co. held hy Minebea. But a Minebea spokesman said talks had en-

tered a "final stage." Hit by the soaring yen in the 1980s, Nippon Steel has diversified hy expanding into such fields as communications. But unlike Kobe Steel and Kawasaki Steel, it has been relatively slow to get into computer chips.

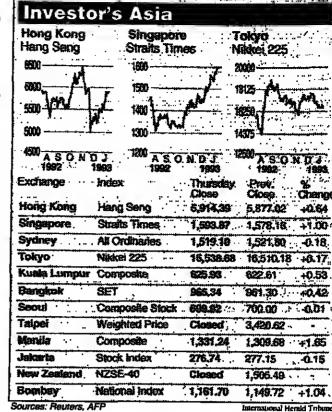
models with dramatically improved performance at virtually the same prices as their predecessors.

NEC's executive vice president, Akira Kobbyashi, argued last week: "NEC's superior quality, service and technology will differenti-ate us from our cheaper competitors in the marketplace."

While Dell says service is its strong point, this is not yet known in Japan, where after-sales service is particularly prized.

They don't have a track record," said David Benda, senior analyst at Barclays de Zoete Wedd Dell comes three days after Japan's Securities, "I don't think anybody's ever heard of them in Japan."

(Bloomberg, Reuters)



Very briefly:

 South Korea's Finance Ministry said it would ease credit controls on 20 naebol, or conglomerates; starting in February, the government will control credit for the 30 higgest chaebol only, down from the current 50.

• Shuwa Corp., a real estate group and stock speculator, is seeking to sell its shareholdings in the retailers Isetan Co. and Matsuzakaya Co. to help pay debt of 1 trillion yen (\$8 billion), industry sources, analysts and

 Sanyo Electric Co. announced its first pen-based computer, PenAct. and hopes to sell 5,000 units in the first year at 475,000 yen apiece.

 Taiwan's Securities and Exchange Commission said the Government of Singapore Investment Corp., the biggest foreign investor on the Taiwan Stock Exchange, has received final approval to buy another \$50 million of local stocks, bringing its authorized level to \$150 million. Campbell Soup Co. refused to lif) its hid for Arnotts Ltd. a second time

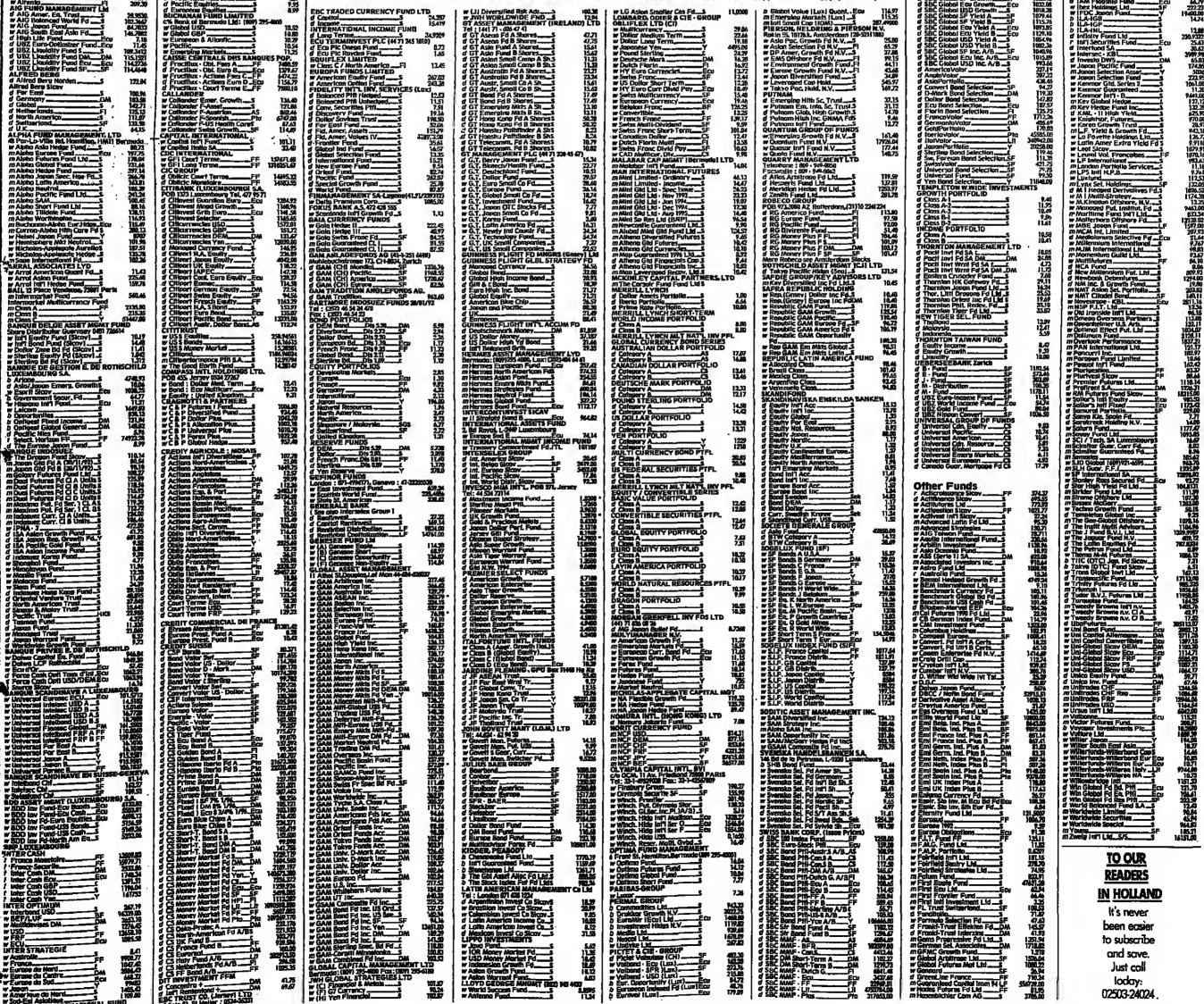
in light of the Australian company's six-month results, which showed a 133 percent increase in net profit to 53.3 million dollars (\$35.6 million). Nomura Securities Co., Daiwa Securities Co., Nikko Securities Co. and Yamaichi Securities Co. plan to offer accounts through which individual

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ments of as little as 10,000 yen a month.

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North Carolina Ends Virginia's Streak at 16

Until its date with No. 3 North Carolina, seventh-ranked Virginia had some pretty impressive num-

Coming off Sunday's victory over Duke, the Cavaliers were 11-0 overall, 4-0 in the Atlantic Coast Conference and held the nation's longest winning streak at 16 games.

But Virginia's winning streak was brought to an abrupt halt by the Tar Heels on Wednesday night with a 80-58 victory in Chapel Hill. North Carolina.

I think our defense creates a lot of things for us," said forward Kevin Salvadori, who led five players le figures with 14 points. "We can wear the other team down. We can rattle the other team with our defense, causing a couple of turnovers, and they get a little frustrated."

North Carolina (15-1, 5-0) has frustrated a lot of teams this season. Of its five conference victories, the Tar Heels have an average win-ning margin of 21 points. An 82-72 victory over Clemson last Saturday

North Carolina's defense choked off the Cavaliers every time they attempted to make a run. In the first half, it helped the Tar Heels maintain a lead that fluctuated because of streaky shooting. But in the final 20 minutes, the defense complimented the offensive strate-

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gy to push the ball inside to Salva-dori and Eric Montross.

"That was what we wanted to do in the first half, too," Montross said. "I was sitting around on my rear, not doing enough, not moving enough. When you do that, then you get sucked into their good defense down low, their collapsing defense." Virginia, on Cory Alexander's 3-

pointer, cut North Carolina's lead to 40-32 with 17:26 remaining, but the Tar Heels then went on a 20-4 run fueled by Montross and George Lynch to boost their advantage to 58-36 with 8:50 left. And that gave Niagara Universi-

Parish Bosses Boards As Celtics Bomb Hawks

It was "Hail to the Chief" in

Not only did Robert Parish become one of three men to play in 1,300 NBA games, but Parish, nick-named "the Chief," grabbed 15 rebounds in the third quarter Wednesday night, three shy of the league record, joining Xavier McDaniel in helping the Celtics blow out the

Atlanta Hawks 121-106, McDaniel scored 11 of his 27 points in the third quarter, when

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the Celtics outscored Atlanta, 31-15, blowing open what had been a close game.

Parish, who joined Kareem Abd-ul-Jabbar and Elvin Hayes as the only players to reach the 1,300game mark, finished with 19 rebounds. Nate Thurmond of San Francisco holds the league record with 18 in a quarter. Bill Russell of the Celtics grabbed 17 in a quarter three times and Wilt Chamberlain had 17 in a quarter once when he was with Philadelphia.

"The ball was coming out right tonight." Parish said. "I had good position and they were just coming at me. I was almost in very select

Parish's rebounding was helped by the Celtics defense, which haof 23 shots from the field in the third quarter.

Parish, who has 68 rebounds in the Celtics' last five games, scored 13 points and blocked four shots against the Hawks. When Parish compiles a double-double the Celt-

ics are 16-6. McDaniel, a career starter with Seattle, Phoenix and New York, seems to be making the adjustment to his role as a reserve with the Celtics. Since coming off the bench over the last 12 games he has scored

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bounds in 312 minutes. Dominique Wilkins led the Hawks with 35 points, nine re-bounds and two steals. He scored 19 of those in the first half and scored 9 of Atlanta's 15 points in the third quarter. Wilkins left the game with 3:20 left after suffering a minor injury to his right hand.

Cavaliers 123, Suns 117: At Richfield, Ohio, Mark Price scored 26 points and Larry Nance added 20 points and 15 rebounds for the Cavaliers. The Suns played without Charles Barkley, who was serving a one-game suspension, with a \$10,000 fine, for abuse of officials Monday at New York. The Suns. led by Richard Dumas's 23 points, lost two straight games for only the second time this season,

York, Patrick Ewing scored 30 points and grabbed 13 rebounds, helping the Knicks make short work of Charlotte.

Blazers 110, Timberwolves 94: At Minneapolis, Cliff Robinson to lead the Trail Blazers to their third straight win. Clyde Drexler added 20 points for the Blazers, who improved to 12-1 lifetime against the Timberwolves and 7-0 at Minnesota.

wood, California. Ricky Pierce scored 26 points and Shawn Kemp added 24 points and 11 rebounds to lead the Sonics to their 14th win in their last 17 games. The loss was the fourth in five games for the

Warriors 120, Jazz 113: At Oakland, Calif.. Tim Hardaway had 28 points and 13 assists to help the Warriors snap their losing streak at five games. Karl Malone had 30 points and 12 rebounds for the Jazz, who lost their second straight.

ty college basketball's longest vic-tory streak, 11 games. The Purple Eagles play in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, with the likes of Siena, Canisius and Iona.

No. 5 Michigan 80, Minnesota 73: At Minneapolis, Chris Webber's two dunks capped a 21-12 second-half spurt that helped Michigan (14-2, 3-1 Big Ten) hand Minnesota (10-4, 2-3) its first home loss of the season. Webber played with a face mass because his nose

was broken in practice Monday.
No. 19 Vanderbilt 102, No. 8 Arkansas 89: Vanderbilt (14-3, 4-1 SEC) knocked off a third top 10 team when Billy McCaffrey made four straight technical foul free throws after Nolan Richardson, the

coach of the Razorbacks (12-2, 3-1), was ejected with 15:50 left. bumping the lead to seven points.

No. 11 Arizona 91, Arizona State 87: At Tempe, Arizona, the Wild-cats (10-2, 5-0 Pac-10) came back from a 13-point deficit in the sec-ond half, thanks mainly to Ed Stokes, who got 16 of his 18 points in the second half. Stokes gave Arizona the lead for good at 83-82 when he put back an offensive re-bound with 2:28 to go. He in-creased the lead to 85-82 with a dunk 15 seconds later. Arizona

No. 20 Pittshungh 81, Boston College 70: At Boston, Jerry McCullough scored 22 points and 179 points and pulled down 69 re-Pittsburgh (12-2, 5-2 Big east) held Boston College (9-5, 3-3) to 40 per-cent shooting. Pitt's 13-4 run broke open a 58-56 game midway through the second half, Wisconsin 76, No. 24 Ohio State

67: At Madison, Wisconsin, sopho-more forward Michael Finley scored a career-high 34 points to give the Badgers (9-4, 2-2 Big Tcn) their second straight victory over a ranked team. Ohio State (9-3, 2-2) lost its second consecutive game.

No. 14 Iowa postponed its game Saturday against Penn State because of the death of starting Iorward Chris Street in a car crash



Patrick Ewing, chasing Charlotte's Tyrone Bognes and the ball out of bounds, got 30 points and 13 rebounds as New York scored a season-high 114 points in avenging one of its three losses at home.

Reynolds Set to Run After Long Layoff

NEW YORK - A lot can hapamong the more important things that happened to Butch Reynolds during his disputed 28-month suspension from international track

competition is Kevin Young. Reynolds, who holds the world record in the 400 meters, was suspended from international competition in August 1990. He will begin to find out what he missed on Feb. 5, when he resumes sanctioned competition by running the 400 meters at the Millrose Games

Among his challengers will be Young, who shattered Edwin Mo-ses's nine-year-old world record in the 400-meter hurdles at the Barcelona Olympics last year and was named the year's outstanding track athlete after an undefeated season. In what is being billed as a race

of champions, Reynolds, who is ex-pected to he rusty after his long layoff, and Young, who will be making an uncertain transition from the burdles - and on Madison Square Garden's banked track at that, may both be outclassed.

The competition also includes Antonio Pettigrew, the 1991 world 400-meter champion, and Antonio McKay, a two-time world indoor champion who is the defending Millrose champion and a six-time. winner of the event.

All four should be relieved that Quincy Watts, the 400-meter Olympic champion, is not in the

'I'm nervous," Reynolds said this week, citing the field of world-class athletes" and noting that be had never rain against Young, who was still gearing up as a hurdler when Reynolds set the 400-meter mark - 43.29 seconds -in Zurich in 1988.

That was two years before Reyn-olds was suspended by track's world governing body, the Interna-tional Amateur Athletic Association, after it accused him of having tested positive for steroids, a charge he has continued to dispute.

Reynolds, speaking from his training site in San Luis Obispo. California, made clear that he was still bitter about his suspension, which ran ont at the end of last

"My name was tarnished," he said. "I missed the 1992 Olympic Games, the 1991 World Championships. I will never get those

Although he won a court order that was upheld by the Supreme Court and allowed him to compete in the Olympic trials and a few smaller meets last year, Reynolds, who placed fifth in the trials, paid a

Because he defied its suspension. the IAAF extended his suspension. which had been due to expire in August, through the end of the

The IAAF has also threatened a further suspension if Reynolds does not apologize for his challeng-ing it in court. In addition to the court order, Reynolds also won a \$27.3 million judgment from a federal judge in Ohio who said the IAAF acted maliciously against

So far, Reynolds said, he has not pen to a world record-holder dur-ing a long enforced layoff, and because the federation, based in London, has no assets in the United States.

The IAAF plans no further disciplinary action against Reynolds but is considering a libel suit. The Associated Press reported. The organization's general-secretary. Ist-van Gyulai, said from Jakarta that the Reynolds's situation is expected to be discussed this weekend at an IAAF Council meeting.]

For the moment, Reynolds said, he was concentrating on a series of

personal goals, including winning both indoor and outdoor championships and breaking 45 seconds in the Milirose.

Reynolds, who is training on the flat and hasn't run on a banked track in three years, knows that won't be a cinch.

"With four guys going for that curve," he said. "something is going to have to give."

Williams Missing on **FISA List**

PARIS - The Williams-Renault team that was a run-away winner of last year's championship was a glar-ing absentee Thursday when the entries for this season's Formula One races were announced by the International Motor Sports Federation.

FISA, which listed 13 teams and 26 cars as entered for the season by. Thursday's deadline, did not rule out a late entry by the British team, which has signed three-time world champions Alain Prost and Ayrton Senna as its drivers.

But under the terms of the Con-corde Agreement among FISA, tillteams and the drivers, teams already approved must vote on admitting a late or incorrect entry.

"The situation is complicated,"

said FISA's spokesman, Francesco Longanesi. "If the inscription had been done in good and due form, there would not have been any problem. That is not the case for everyone. An exception is not expected. The ball is in the camp of the teams."

Though FISA would not provide any explanation of what had hap-pened, the French sports daily L'Equipe reported Thursday that there had been a mix-up between Williams, FISA and the Formula One Constructors Association.

L'Equipe said Williams had sent the forms to FULA's president Bernie Ecclestone, but that the forms had not reached FISA before.

Born Marco

• Former Olympic decathlon champion Daley Thompson any nounced a sporting comebact.

Thursday — as a racing driver.
The 34-year-old Briton, who quit track and field after tearing a leg tendon trying to qualify for the Barcelona Olympics, has signed up as a works driver for Peugeot in this year's National Saloon Car Cup. (Reuters, AP)

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predecessors. Alonzo Mourning and Patrick Ewing, has put a distinctly offensive spin on the

Georgetown center position. He is second in the conference in scoring, at 20 points a game.

second in field-goal percentage at 62.2 percent, and first in rebounding at 10.1 a game.

The game that could do the most for the Big

East's reputation takes place Sunday when Se-

ton Hall will play powerful North Carolina at

Byrne Meadowlands Arena, Last season, the

Harrington, without the flair or fanfare of his

By William C. Rhoden

New York Times Service
NEW YORK — Has college basketball's Big. East really slipped as badly as some say? Or is scored 22 points, grabbed 14 re-bounds and dished out eight assists vised conference born out of jealousy as recruitvised conference born out of jealousy as recruit-

ing warfare intensifies?
"We don't have a great team in our league like we may have had at one time" said P. J. Carlesimo, the Seton Hall coach. "But we have a lot of good ones. From top to bottom, our league is as good as it's ever been." Parity, of course, has been the Big East

them since the mid-1980s when Syracuse, Georgetown St. John's and Villanova ruled a two-tier conference of haves and have-nots. Now the gap has closed with everyone at the

top seeming to have become a little worse. Consider this season: Georgetown loses to Miami, St. John's loses to Fordham. Villanova loses to St. Mary's. Providence loses to Rhode Island, and to Miami on the road. Right about now, the Big East could use a

victory over a highly rated nonconference opponent. Two golden opportunities present themselves this weekend. On Saturday, Georgetown and its budding

Pirates were routed by North Carolina, 83-54.

A Seton Hall victory would put a halt to all the "Big East Is Dead" talk.

"I know people are thinking that," Carlesimo said, attempting to play down any broad impli-cations of the game. "If win or if we lose, all we'll find out about ourselves on that day is how good we are. That's all.'

So far this season, the Big East has barely held its own against five major conferences: the Atlantic Coast Conference, the Big Eight, the Big Ten, the Pacific-10 and the Southeastern Athletic. It has a 1-0 edge against the ACC, but

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lost all three games to the Big Ten and has broken even in two games with the SEC.

Conference officials point to the success against the Pac-10 (a 3-1 mark) and point to

Providence's upset of Arizona. But the Pac-10 is 6-14 against the five major conferences. The Big East Conference's fall from grace has also taken place off the court. During the 1980s, it was regarded as a confer-ence that excelled but did it within the rules.

There was an undercurrent of feeling from other conferences, however, that the Big East was somehow being protected. Two years 250, the NCAA started an investi-gation into the Syracuse program that resulted last year in the Orangemen becoming the first

Big East team to be placed on probation. Mike Edwards, a senior guard, was recently reinstated after a disturbance in a Syracuse bar. At Boston College, Gerrod Abram, was ar-rested on Dec. 10 on a charge of buying goods with a fraudulently obtained credit card

"We may not he what we were in the mid-'80s," Carlesimo said, "but that was phenomenal. There are 34 Division I conferences in the country; we may be two or three, I can live with that."
Believe me, a lot of people could live with that."

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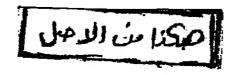












By Timothy W. Smith New York Times Service

ORCHARD PARK, New York -The low point for the Buffalo Bills' defense occurred in the second week of the season. The defense was engaged in a track meet with the San Francisco 49ers' offense. When the game was over, the teams had, between them, gained 1,086 yards. And there had been no punts, a first in the National Football League.

The whole thing was pretty much a hiur for imebacker Darryl Talley, who spent much of the day dropping into coverage or rushing the passer, both to

"Both offenses just ran up and down the field all day long." Talley said. "We couldn't stop them and they couldn't stop us. They just ran us ragged."

The Bills won, 34-31, and the defense spent the rest of the state.

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fense spent the rest of the season trying to catch its breath. Buffalo found a second wind in the playoffs and is heading toward Super Bowl XXVII, on Jan. 31 against the Dallas Cow-boys, on a defensive rampage.

The impetus might have come in the wild-card playoff game against Houston. The Oilers' quarterback, Warren Moon, was unstoppable in the first half, completing 19 of 22 passes for 218 yards and four touchdowns. The Bills' defensive coordinator, Walt Corey, berated his players for their lack of effort.

Since that 28-point first half by Houston and a quick touchdown early in the second half, the Bills' defense has given up just 16 points. After their historic comeback from a 35-3 deficit to a 41-38 victory in overtime, the Bills have rumbled past Pittsburgh, 24-3, and Miami, 29-10.

The defense has created 11 turnovers while the offense has lost the ball only three times. Twenty-three passes have been broken up, the Bills are yielding an average of 70.3 yards rushing over the three games, and they have consistently pressured the quarterback, coming up with 15 sacks.

And the most recent game was most impressive: The Dolphins were held to 33 yards rushing — only two in the second half — in the American Conference championship game.

The inordinate amount of pressure that the Bills have been able to put on quarterbacks, particularly against Moon in the second half of Buffalo's unparalleled comeback and against Miami's Dan Marino last week, has been the cornerstone of their recent success. Great pressure means great pass coverage, which means shorter drives, which means fewer scoring opportunities.

"We haven't been doing anything different," said Corey. "I think mov-

ing them around and showing some disguises on the fronts has kind of helped."

The Bills play a 3-4 defense, going with three linemen and four linebackers. That gives them the flexibility to rush linebackers or drop them into coverage. Linebacker Cornelius Bennett is a speedy pass-rush specialist, with four sacks and 15 quarterback pressures, and Talley is adroit at pass

What has helped this group more than anything else is the return of a healthy Bruce Smith, who missed 11 games last season as he recovered from between-season knee surgery, and the emergence of Phil Hansen at the other

Smith, who finished the season with 14 sacks and 22 quarterback pressures, is having his best season since 1990, when he led the league with 19 sacks. Hansen has eight. Because of Hansen's height, 6 feet, 5 inches (1.95 meters), and his leaping ability, it is difficult for quarterbacks to throw passes he can't deflect. Last week, Hansen rose up to deflect a pass by Marino at the line of scrimmage and leaped again to intercept it.

"People have always set their schemes to defend Bruce Smith," Corey said. "They have to get at least one and a half blockers on Bruce Smith — a back may chip on him before he releases or they'll keep the back in entirely and double-team him. When you move him around, they have to make adjustment calls on the line of scrimmage, and that presents problems. They don't always make the right decisions.

"Protection-wise, they're going to stretch your offense," said the New York Jets' offensive-line coach, Larry Beightol. No. 1, you have to find Bruce Smith and account for him. No. 2, you have to find Cornelius Bennett and account for him.

You put too much attention on those two and Jeff Wright rushes up the middle. They have one of the best linebacking corps in the league and Darryl Talley is such a dandy player that he stays in on first and second down, and because he's so good at pass coverage, he stays in for the nickel. They run a good scheme and it's fundamentally sound."

The Bills' general manager, Bill Polian, thinks he has a better team than the one that lost last year's Super Bowl to the Redskins, 37-24.

"Because," Polian said, "it has a much better defense than last year."



Jennifer Capriati after losing a point: "I wasn't going to play chicken or anything like that."

Parcells Hired to Coach Patriots

The Associated Press

FOXBORO, Massachusetts - Bill Parcells, who left coaching after winning two Super Bowl championships with the New York Giants, on Thursday became the fourth coach in five years of

the struggling New England Patriots.

Parcells, who quit in May 1991 after eight years as the Giants' coach, succeeds Dick MacPherson. who was fired after the Patriots went 2-14 in his second season.

Parcells and the Patriots apparently came to terms late Wednesday night. Among the other announcements made by the Patriots was that Patrick Forte, vice president of administration. would take over as executive vice president for

That left the Patriots without a general manager,

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leaving open the possibility that Parcells would assume that authority, too.

Inquiries from prospective huyers of the fran-chise also could get greater attention. Owner James Orthwein wants to sell the team once he receives assurances he will get one of the expansion franchises the league is planning to award. There is no definite timetable for expansion.

Parcells, 51, had been considered the Patriots' op choice, although Buddy Ryan, fired by the Philadelphia Eagles, was a strong candidate.

• Two people with knowledge of the talks between the Giants and Dan Reeves, who was fired at season's end by the Denver Broncos, said Wednesday that Reeves had been offered the job of coaching the Giants, The New York Times

Capriati, Pills at Hand, **Escapes a Pain on Court**

By Christopher Clarey International Herald Tribune

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MELBOURNE - Jennifer Capriati was lying in bed on Wednes-day afternoon, and the prospect of putting on her tennis clothes in less than 24 hours was growing less appealing by the thermometer read-

There were a couple times when I felt really had, and I said, like, there's no way," Capriati explained as only Capriati can.

She had woken up the morning after her first-round victory in the Australian Open with a version of the viral infection that had already laid low several other players and her mother, Denise, last week in

After Capriati's temperature soared to near 104 degrees, her mother even packed her off to Saint from the baseline and kept her run-vincent's Hospital in downtown ning from corner to corner. Melbourne for some precautionary

"The doctors couldn't find anything serious," Denise Capriati said. "But 1 wasn't going to take any chances. 1 definitely didn't think she was going to play." So much for motherly intuition.

Capriati, with her fever in retreat and a bottle of pain-killers in her racket bag, did indeed make it to the Stadium Court on Thursday night for her second-round match at the year's first Grand Slam tournament. As it turned out, the most difficult part was yet to come.

Her 6-7 (8-10), 7-5, 6-2 victory over Florencia Labat of Argentina was the most grueling, exciting match thus lar in the women's tournament. And until late in the second set, it was the unseeded Argentine, not the seventh-seeded American, who appeared destined

"It's difficult to explain what I feel," Labat said later. "I think I had the match, and then I lost it. You don't have these chances ev-

Labat never actually held a match point, but she came quite close. She led by 4-1 and 40-15 on her serve in the second set. Two games later, she led by 5-3 and 15-30 on Capristi's serve. But instead of becoming anx-

jous, Capriati became extra aggressive - taking the ball earlier on her groundstrokes and, in a departure from her usual habits, coming to the net whenever possible. She would end up making 59 approachrealization that victory was in her grasp, Capriati won 15 of the next 17 points to even the match at a set apiece. The final set was a formali-

"I wasn't going to play chicken anything like that," said Capriati, who will not turn 17 until March. "I had to go for it, because that was the only chance I had. If I play like a wimp and just try to get the ball back in the court, it's not going 10 work, especially when my opponent is playing well."

Labat, a left-hander from Buenes Aires, did indeed play well. With her powerful forehand and sharply sliced backhand, she posed consistent difficulties for Capriati

"At the beginning, I didn't feel like I had any power," said Capriati, who popped down Tylenol throughout the match. "But then it seemed like I started to sweat it out

Capriati's victory was the highlight of a long day that began with a four-hour rain delay on the outside courts and ended without a single seeded player being beaten.

Among the men who advanced to the third round were No. 2 Stefan Edberg, No. 3 Pete Sampras and No. 13 Malivai Washington.

Among the women to move on through and deal with."

As a result of those changes and were No. 2 Steffi Graf, No. 4 Labat's sudden, slightly paralyzing Aranta Sancher Vicario, No. 5

Sánchez Vicario and Fernandez both had to play their Stadium Court matches indoors after tournament officials, responding to the rain, closed the court's retractable

"It's a totally different tournament with the roof closed," said Fernandez, who had to struggle to beat Shi-Ting Wang of Taiwan, 7-6 (7-1), 6-4. "There's no wind. It's like night time out there. The ball sounds different."

withdraw from the New South Wales Open last week after she fell ill with the flu and a throat infection in Perth. "I spent about a week in bed,"

Fernandez had been forced to

she said. "I'm getting stronger ev ery day. I don't feel as winded as I did last week."

Sampras, who has now won seven straight matches this year, suffered from some slight pain in his shin during his less-than-routine 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 victory over Magnus

Larsson of Sweden. "It's something I've had problems with in the last couple of years." Sampras said. "For some reason this court doesn't really agree with my shin because it's a little stickier, it grabs my shoes. But

it's something I just have play

Australian Open Results

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Korbocher, Germony, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2, 7-5; Armoud Boelsch, France, del, Jones Svensson, Sweden, 5-7, 2-6, 6-3, 7-6 (7-5), 10-8; Andrei Olhovskiy, Russia, def, Heath Denman, Australia, 6-4, 6-2, 6-4; Richard Frambers, Australia, def, Mark Kell, U.S. 6-1,3-4,6-2,7-6 (B-0); Amas Mansdorf, Isroel, def, Thierry Champion, France, 7-6 (7-3), 6-1, 7-5; Stephane Similar, France, def, Nell Borwick, Australia, 6-4, 7-6 (7-4), 6-1,

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Shooting Flares at Cricket Match

CHANDIGARH, India (AP) - A police officer latally shot one bodyguard of Punjah's top official and crinically wounded another bodyguard Thursday during a confrontation outside the stadium where

India and England were playing a cricket match, police said.

The bodyguards were part of the security staff of Beant Singh, the ehief minister of the insurgency-torn Punjab state. Singh, the state's top elected official, had just gone into the stadium when, witnesses said, the police officer stopped the bodyguards and their vehicle, the bodyguards became angry, and in the altercation the police officer fired his revolver.

Singh is atop the hit list of Sikh militants fighting since 1982 for a separate nation. Chandigarh is the capital of Punjab and intense security in and around the stadium had been mounted for the one-day interna-tional match, which was watch by many leading officials and politicians

Akebono Regains Tie for Sumo Lead TOKYO (AP) - Akebono regained a share of the lead Thursday in the

New Year Grand Sumo Tournament, beating fellow American Musashi-

maru while overnight leader Daishoyama lost to Wakahanada. With three days left, ozeki (champion) Akebono and No. 14 maega shira (senior wrestler) Daishoyama were tied at 10-2. One victory behind, at 9-3, were American ozeki Konishiki, sekiwake (junior champion) Takahanada - who beat Konishiki - and un-beralded Naminohana.

Rose Says He Is Gambling Again CINCINNATI (AP) — Pete Rose, banned for life from baseball in 1989 because he was gambling, said he is gambling again, The Cincinnati Post reported Thursday.

"I don't do illegal gambling anymore. But I'm not going to sit here and tell you I don't gamble anymore, because I'd he lying," Rose told the Post. "I went to the Kentucky Derby last year, and if people think I'm

going to the Kentucky Derby to watch the horses - I can go to the farm to watch the horses." Rose, 51, served five mouths in federal prison for failing to list all his

Kose, 51, served five months in federal prison for failing to list all his income, including gambling winnings, on his tax returns. He now lives in Florida, where betting on horse racing, greyhound racing and Jai alai is legal. Betting on horse races is also legal in Kentucky.

Joe Oliver, whose 141 games behind the plate in 1992 were the most by a catcher for the Cincinnati Reds since Johnny Bench caught the same number in 1971, has been given a one-year contract worth \$1.2 million.

The California Angels learned that Jeff Tuss, the minor league reliever acquired from the Montreal Expos in exchange for first because reliever acquired from the Montreal Expos in exchange for first baseman Lee Stevens, has signed a letter of intent to play football at Fresno State and doesn't intend to report to spring training next month.

For the Record

CSKA Moscow was given permission Thursday by UEFA to move its Champions' Cup final-round match March 3 against Olympique Marseille, and the April 7 match against Club Bruges, from Leverkusen, Germany, to Berlin. CSKA wanted the change because it expects more

Duke McKenzie of Britain will make the first defense of his WBO super-bantamweight crown against Daniel Jiminez of Puerto Rico on Katrin Krabbe will not be able to appeal against her recent doping ban until Feb. 20 at the earliest because a number of reports are still awaited. the German athletics federation said Thursday. (Reuters)

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Recause of transmission and editing errors, the phrase in German that appeared in Wednesday's soccer report from Frankfurt was incorrect. It should have read: "Mein Freund ist Afislander."

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The Obstreperous Press

By Russell Baker

NEW YORK — The Clinton administration hit the ground stumbling. Let us count the orners: the Ron Brown lobbyists' bash, the Zoe Baird Peruvian maid oversight, the Bill Chinton hold-it-just-a-min-ute-now attitude on campaign promises to middle-class American taxpayers and impoverished Haitian

A government that can get into this many pickles before it even became a government promises plenty of refreshment for those of us who still miss Laurel and Hardy.

The press traditionally tends to be sassier to Democratic than to Republican presidents, of course. That's probably because Republicans have cunningly persuaded the public that the press is a Democrat-

Cunning Marlin Fitzwater, Bush press secretary, was on one of the breakfast TV sbows last week clouding American minds with this dubious proposition. It was probably true 50 years ago when newspapering was a miserably paid occu-pation and reporters lived next door to cops and meat packers. Nowadays they live in George-

town and Chevy Chase, Maryland, entertain senators, play golf, shun gin, keep themselves "in shape" and send the children to private schools. The profile suggests young Republicans, or at least a successoriented professional class aware that interesting political views may

hurt their chances of getting ahead. This sense of professionalism makes them vulnerable to the tireless Republican effort to depict them as vilely biased Democrats. As a result, to prove it ain't so, press people tend to breathe heavier on Democrats who aren't shaping up and lean extra hard on them when they err.

The erring bas been intense, Here was insoueiant Ronald Brown, the lawyer-lobbyist soon to be secretary of commerce, accepting the hospitality of corporations that proposed to finance an inauguration gala in his bonor. Moreover. Brown had told the Senate that as secretary he would recuse himself from dealings with former corporate clients only for his first

Newspapers objected that

Brown was blithely ignoring the president-elect's attempts to set higher ethical standards than ever

Meanwhile, Brown decided he wouldn't accept the party after all and Clinton said he and Brown were rethinking a few things about the future of Brown's relationship

The problem with the Brown matter was that, after so much hullaba-loo about the coming of a new moral order, it looked as though the new administration would, for business

at least, mean business as usual.
Then Zoe Baird's illegal immigrant maid overtook the Ron Brown news. Zoe Baird, who is to be attorney general, bad not only employed illegal immigrants off the books, but seemed to be claiming ignorance of the law, which as every moviegoer knows all too well, is

The Baird story is rife with trivial-ities of the sort that may not amount to a hill of beans to higher Washington but tend to infuriate the masses who telephone talk-radio stations Too many other American women employ household help and have been put through the wringer by the federal tax police and the Social Security people. Angry questions about Zoc

Baird poured from the radio even though she apologized to the Sen-ate Judiciary Committee: Didn't know? Well how come, if she didn't know, she suddenly paid up all the previously unpaid taxes after the attorney general job came through? Dreadful tales filled the air: A caller told of paying her cleaning wom-an's Social Security, thus bringing the cleaning woman to the attention of the IRS, which had been persecuting the poor creature ever since, It is the stuff that a people baffled by foreign policy debate can sink teeth into.

Zoe Baird's defenders say her offense is too trivial to disqualify anyone for an office notable in modern times as a stronghold of incompetence, malfeasance and

corrupt political finagling.
Still, it provides one more opportunity for people like the author of this very column to cry out to Mar-lin Fitzwater, "Look, Marlini No

New York Times Service

Forecast for Saturday through Monda



The effortless grace of Audrey Hepburn: At left, as Unicef ambassador last February; inset, at the age of 21, and in "War and Peace" in 1956.

Audrey Hepburn: The Enchanting Gamin

By Martha Sherrill Vashington Past Service

S HE had a calmness and spiritedness and gentility that many people would come to explain as breeding, but it seemed way beyond that. Audrey Hepburn, 63, who died Wednesday at her home in Tolochenaz. Switzerland, after a long bout with cancer, made you want to stand straighter, talk with a slight English accent, lose weight, wear sunglasses and huge hats, buy little black dresses, and then maybe move to Manhattan and throw crowded cocktail parties that lasted all night until you decided to take a Checker cab down Fifth Avenue to watch the sun come up in front of Tiffany's.

Audrey Hepburn had enchantment to her, and an effortless grace. In every role, not just as Holly Golightly in "Breakfast at Tiffany's," she transcended gloom and everydayness with a rare combination of fragility and abandon and ancient European wisdom. She had allure - the perfect

"Gigi" on stage — but it was unlike any-body else's.

If you see "Charade," a picture she made in 1963 with Cary Grant, you'll notice she matches him, line by line, in elegance and relaxed charm. They are just friends, but in one scene she stands a little too close, puts ber finger inside the cleft in his chin and asks, "How do you shave in there?"

She was scrawny and bony. Her nose was a little lumpy, her eyebrows were too dark, and her chest? It looked like a boy's. But she was something, wasn't she? She walked like a dancer, bad trained as a dancer, and in all those full and swirling skirts she had a waist that nobody - not even Scarlett O'Hara -

"I was just sort of launched on this career," she said in 1985, during a trip to Washington. I went from one picture to the other, really, trying to sort of catch up with myself. I was totally unaware of the

great significance of doing my first movie." Looking back now, it seems she was always playing in some rags-to-riches or riches-10-rags story that pivoted about her natural aristocratic bearing. In "Roman Holiday" she was a princess who slums as a commoner and falls in love with a newspaperman - made remotely believable because he's played by Gregory Peck.

In "Sabrina" she played the chauffeur's gangly daughter who goes off to Paris for a couple years and comes back transformed Voila! - into a woman just like Audrey Hepburn, and suddenly the heirs, Hum-phrey Bogart and William Holden, are both in love with her. She was the perfect Eliza Doolittle, even though Marnie Nixon did her singing.

She was a brat too, a free spirit, an early beatnik sort of creature, but a creature. Exotic and liberated and loony and Bobemian. Her romantic leads always seemed to be old men - but she made you not notice their hairpieces or the glue that held them. She brought cool air and life into every room, onto every screen, and into all the old guys. There was Bogart in "Sabrina," when she was 25 and he was 54. There was Fred Astaire in "Funny Face," dancing on the street in front of her Paris window - she was 28 and he was 58. In "Love in the Afternoon," she was 28 and Gary Cooper was 56.

In the past 15 years, although she did make a few movies, she was visible mostly in her work for children. We'd see a photograph of her on a Unicef tour - because she was its "goodwill ambassador" for years — in some dry setting in Africa perhaps, holding a child and smiling, her ehin always up, her lips parted to reveal her wonderfully crooked teeth, her face, well, completely undiminished. She seemed to live as gracefully as her body moved.

This gamin-turned-legend transcended fad and the phoniness of ber profession, and the seediness. She never seemed to be trying, or wanting. She existed - and what you saw on the screen always seemed to be only Andrey Hepburn, simply exist-ing. but you know? That was enough.

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Solzhenitsyn Accepts An Award, In Absentia

Ever since he arrived in the Unit. ed States from the Soute Union in 1974. Alexander Soldsentism has refused to accept hundreds of de-grees and awards that institutions and universities have tred to bestow and universities have tred to bestow upon him. So the National Are Club in New York considered it a coup when the Nobel laurease agreed to let it give him a medal of honor at the club's 25th annual literary awards dinner. But he still wouldn't agree to leave his home in Vermont, so his wife, Natalya, and their son Ignat picked up the modal.

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The media scrutiny finally got to Princess Diana. The princess, at a London center for Asians, turned on a persistent photographer on Thurs day and told him to stop pestern her. Duncan Raban, a free-lance photographer, was twice warned away from the estranged wife of Prince Charles by defectives but he carried on to her unitation. "Piense, please." Diana snapped. "Will you leave me alone. Stop pestering me," Her irritation recalled an incident several years ago, when Queen Eir-abeth's daughter. Princess Ama-turned on members of the press and told them to "Naff Off!"

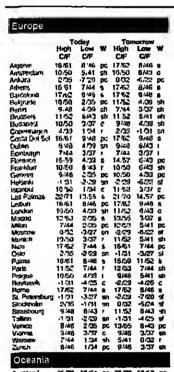
President Jorge Serrano Elias of Guatennila, a born-again Christian, blamed leftist guerrilla "manipulation" for a television report that he visited a swank New York topless chib. The U.S. Spanish-language to network Univision aired footage t Serrano leaving the club. Serrano did not directly deny the report, but his press secretary did. He said the president had been eating in a res-taurant in the neighborhood.

Mr. Television, the combinated his 80th year in show business with a Hollywood Press Club gala. Berie, who will be 85 this year, looked back on a career of successes in vandeville nightclubs, Broadway, radio, featur films and television. He began his career as the Buster Brown kid in shoe advertisements and appeared in many silent films as a child,

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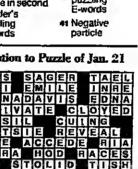
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BOOKS

PUSH COMES TO SHOVE By Twyla Tharp. 376 pages. \$24.50. Bantam.

Reviewed by Alan M. Kriegsman

THERE'S a lot of push and a great deal of shove to this mid-life (she's 51) memoir by one of the century's era-defining dancer-choreographers. No surprise - the writing is like Tharp's dancing and her dances, jittery with nervous edge, dense with ideas, delivered in staccato jabs. There's a pugilistic bravado in much of Tharp's choreography. In the book, her opponents range from her pushy mother to her lovers, her working partners, a recalcitrant public, and unappreciative funders and critics, but

between ambition and dedication, espair and confidence These personal traits, however,

are inseparable from the qualities that have secured her a sizable niche in the pantheon of dance art of our time. In accord with a quintessentially American impulse in dance history of this century. Tharp has effected a stunning rap-prochement of the highbrow and the low, reconciling classical ballet and modern dance and infusing both with rich draughts from popular music and vernacular dance, from jazz and folk and bluegrass to rock and beyond.

Chutzpah could have been her middle name. Feisty, driven, brainy and indefatigable from the start, she has always seen berself as a combatant. One day as a young teenager in rural California, where her Quaker ana farm, she clubbed a large rattle-snake into insensibility with a hoe: inc Wheel," "In the Upper Room," Joffrey to discuss making a work and even the audacious, smart, fun-for his company, she told him that "By the time Daddy arrived, the

snake was regaining consciousness. My father grabbed the boe, pushed me back, then quickly knocked the snake to the ground and ehopped its head off from behind. I was scolded but not spanked - my father probably applauded my nerve. But whatever he said didn't matter because I remained high from the physical exhilaration; the fright, the battle, the victory, all made my adrenaline surge. I had tapped directly into the primitive drive that celebrates brave physical conquest, good over evil, through ceremonial performances. I had created my first dance."

It isn't all that hard to extrapolate from the snake episode to the creator of "Bad Smells," "Fait Accom-pli," "Short Stories," "The Catheryshnikov and American Ballet The-arre in 1976, the one that lent its full-length 'Swan Lake.' name to the title of this book.

Speaking of Baryshnikov, sensascribes their short-lived sexual liai- covery and therapy. These parts son. Of far greater interest, artistically and psychologically, is her discussion of working with the exSoviet ballet luminary on "Push to be sourced by the source across, bowever, as needlessly indulgent and minimally enlightening. But the book has very substantial values of other kinds: as a per-Comes To Shove." Many have looked on Tharp's

innovative ventures into Broadway och; as an insider's view of the theater, the movies and television hardship, challenge and reward of as symptomatic of her career-long the choreographic calling, and as a quest for popular success on a scale testament to the thought process of hardly ever achieved in the dance world. There's a lot to this, but brass was always innate with her. At her first meeting with Robert

and even the audacious, smart, fun-ny ballet she made for Mikhail Bar-she had never really seen his com-

From the large doses of introspective analysis, it might be surtion-seekers will swiftly nose out mised that Tharp undertook the the passage in which Tharp de-book largely as a form of self-diseeptive ebronicle of a highly significant career and artistic ep-

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By Alan Truscott

HE 1992 New York bridge year ended on Sunday, Jan. 3, 1993, three days late, at the Visa international Hotel at the World Trade Center in Manhattan. The concluding event at the Greater New York Bridge Association's winter regional championships was the four-session Swiss team championship.

The championship was won by Michael Rosenberg, Gail Green-berg, Jill Blanchard and Debbie Zuckerberg, all of Manhattan, and Steve Zolotov of Los Vegas, Nevada, and Richard Pavelicek Jr. of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Zolotov helped his team win the main event hy taking advantage of a slight defensive slip on the dia-gramed deal. His four-spade contract, reached after West bad

opened the bidding, was a shaky proposition. Even with a favorable spade situation, it might seem that he was doomed to lose a club trick, a diamond trick and at least two beart tricks since West was almost sure to have the heart ace.

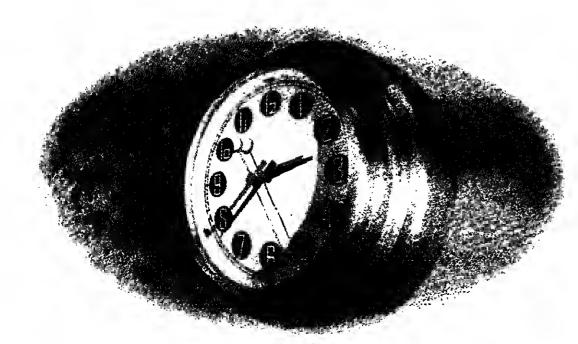
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West led the diamond ace and shifted to a trump. South took dummy's ace and king, removing the queen, and led a club to his ace. When this collected two small cards, he was able to throw two hearts from dummy on diamond winners and lead a club. West had to win the king and was endplayed. with a choice between conceding as ruff-and-sluff or permitting the heart king to score.

In the post-mortem West discovered that be should have thrown his club king under the ace at the fourth trick. His partner would then bave had the entry he needed

to lead a heart and defeat the game.
In the reply the same combination of the because West made the imaginative opening lead of the





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